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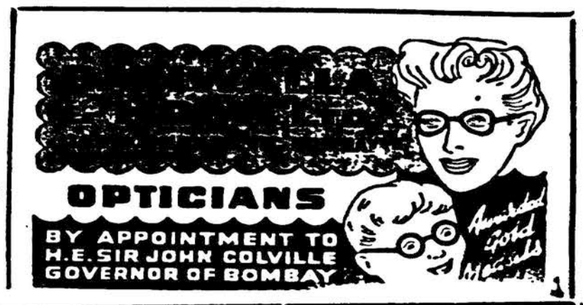

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Delhi Conference Decisions On New Set Up For Unions

PRINCES ON PAR WITH COMMON PEOPLE IN MERGER UNITS

NEW DELHI, July 18, (A.P.I.): The two-day conference of Raj Pramukhs and the Premiers with the States Ministry concluded today. Some of them, however, are meeting the States Secretary Mr. V. P. Menon, individually tomorrow to discuss problems pertaining to their respective States. The States Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel participated in the conference.

The main task before the conference, it is learned was to devise ways and means to create an entirely new administrative structure in these Unions necessitated by the fusion of a number of States and the introduction of democracy.

INTEGRATION AND REORGANISATION

It was generally agreed that for the set up of a Union Government, it was essential that it should have a Central Secretariat, an independent Judiciary, an independent Auditor-General a Revenue Board which would function as the highest Court of Appeal in Revenue matters and an independent Public Service Commission.

It is understood it was agreed that the Union Governments should integrate the existing services and create out of the available material and by recruitment from outside an efficient Instrument of Administration. For the purpose of integrating and reorganising the services it was agreed to set up an AD HOC Committee which would undertake the task of organising the services prepare seniority lists fix up cadres frame rules etc., similar to that obtaining in the Central Government.

EXPERTS TO ADVISE

It is understood in this connection that the States Ministry was agreed to make available a team of experts who would visit the Unions, study the progress made, pool the experience gained in each Union Government and offer advice and help in order to help the Unions in the early establishment of sound administrative machinery.

Certain other general principles which should govern the conduct of day-to-day business as between the various Union Ministries and their respective Raj Pramukhs the position of the Rulers of the Convenanting States and the general policy of administration which these Unions should formulate were also discussed and agreed upon.

NEW SET UP

In regard to the general policy of the States it is understood it was generally recognised that it should approximate to the policy obtaining in the rest of Dominion.

So far, it is pointed out, the States Ministry had engaged itself in the execution of the first phase of its policy. This had resulted in the merger of a number of small States in the adjoining Provinces the consolidation of some into Centrally Administered Areas and the integration of others into comparatively large Unions.

The second stage of the policy, it is understood is to take steps which will ensure that the people of the States enjoy the advantages of a sound efficient and democratic Administration which will satisfy the legitimate and reasonable aspirations of their people. I. is understood, in this connection, the States Ministry assured the Union Governments of its co-operation and help.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

It is believed that the States Ministry has advised the Union Governments to issue a statement enunciating their policy which should include their immediate and ultimate objectives in the economic and social sphere.

The big changes in the States must be followed by the abolition of feudalism in any shape or form sound taxation where there would be no inequities in its incidence and he undertaking of development projects for the economic regenaration of the respective regions.

HASTEN SLOWLY!

Besides the joint conference of Rajpramukhs and their Premiers the latter held a separate conference with the States Ministry where, besides certain routine subjects, the question of law and order in the Union States and the budgetary position in the various Unions were discussed. It is understood that the States Ministry has agreed to depute a senior Finance Officer, who will visit the various Unions shortly, examine their finances and report on the taxable capacity of these Unions.

It is understood that it was generally agreed that these Governments should proceed cautiously in the sphere of economic reforms and betterment of the people and not embark on "adventurous legislation of an expropriatory character".

Besides these two conferences, there was another conference of Raj Pramukhs and Premiers of the Provinces in which a number of States have been merged This conference discussed in detail the question of reallocation of seats from these States to the Constituet Assembly. It is understood that unanimous decisions have been arrived at. It is understood that the representation of these States in the Constituent Assembly is overned by an agreement arrived at with the Negotiating Committee of the Princes and a formula had been devised whereby the rulers and their subjects divided the seats equally among them. In view of the integration of a number of States and the merger of many others the question of their representation in the Constituent Assembly was reviewed.

It is understood in the new set up representation will be hundred per cent popular. It is open to the Rulers of States to seek the the votes of the people and get elected to the Constituent Assembly.

NEOGY AT MARITIME UNION OFFICE

Hon'ble K. C. Neogy, Commerce Minister, met the members of Maritime Union of India on Saturday.

Pakistan Prepares For Grave Emergency

Jinnah Assumes Powers To Take Over Provincial Governments

KARACHI, July 18 (API): The Governor-General of Pakistan, Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah today issued and Order supplementing Section 92 of the Government of India Act 1935 as it exists adapted in the Pakistan Provisional Constitution Order 1947 whereby he may by proclamation instruct the Governor of a Province to take over direct control of the Provincial Administration under certain specified circumstances.

The Order which comes into force at once does not, however, authorise the suspension of the powers vested in or exercisable by a High Court or to suspend the operation of any provisions of this Act relating to High Courts. . . . . . .

Cited as the Pakistan Provisional Constitution (Amendment) Order 1948, the Order directs the insertion of Section 92 A in Chapter 6 of Part 3 of the Schedule to the Pakistan (Provisional Constitution) Order 1947 further amending the adaptation pertaining to Section 92 of the Government of India Act 1935.

The citation said that the Governor-General has issued this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by Section Nine of the Indian Independence Act 1947 and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf".

TEXT OF NEW SECTION

Following is the text of Section 92 A whose insertion in the Pakistan Provisional Constitution Act 1947 was ordered today:

"If at any time the Governor-General is satisfied that a grave emergency exists whereby the peace or security of Pakistan or any part thereof is threatened or that a situation has arisen in which the Government of a Province cannot be carried on in accordance with the Provisions of this Act, he may by proclamation direct the Governor of a Province to assume on behalf of the Governor-General all or any of the powers vested in or exercisable by any Provincial body or authority; any such proclamation may contain such incidental and consequential provisions as may appear to the Governor-General to be necessary or desirable for giving effect to the objects the proclamation including provisions for suspending in whole or in part the operation of any provisions of this Act relating to any Provincial body or authority.

"Provided that nothing in this Sub-Section shall authorise the Governor-General to direct the suspension of any of the powers vested in or exercisable by a High Court, or to suspend either in whole or in part the operation of any provisions of this Act relating to High Courts.

And such proclamation may be revoked or varied by a subsequent proclamation."

INDO-PAKISTAN TALKS ON PERMIT FOR PASSENGERS

KARACHI, July 18, (A.P.I.): The Government of India's recent imposition of a permit system for the entry into India of persons from Western Pakistan will be one of the main subjects to be discussed at the Inter-Dominion Conference to be held in Lahore at Ministerial level on July 22, said Mr. Ghazanfarali Khan, Pakistan's Minister for Refugees and Rehabilitation in an interview here today.

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali said that at present the Pakistan Government was not contemplating to take any retaliatory measures in regard to the imposition of the permit system by the Indian Government, but if no satisfactory agreement, was reached the Pakistan Government might also impose permit restrictions on the entry into Pakistan of persons from India.

The conference, it is understood, will also discuss the question of the exchange of political prisoners and the case of Dr. Abdul Ghani Qureshi whose appeal against death sentence has been dismissed by the East Punjab High Court.

Another item on the agenda will be the exchange of evacuees property.

The conference will be attended by Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan Minister for refugee Sir Mohammad Zafrullan, Foreign Minister and Mr. Mohammed Ali, Secretary-General on behalf of the Pakistan Government and Mr. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar Minister Without Portfolio Mr. Shanmukam Chetty, Minister for Finance and other high officials on behalf of the Government of India.

The Premiers of the West Punjab and the North-West Frontier Province may also attend the conference.

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan said that there were 130 non-Muslim prioners in West Punjab who were alleged to have committed murder and if no agreement was reached regarding exchange of prisoners, they will be tried in courts in Pakistan.

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali will leave for Lahore on July 19 from where he will proceed to Quetta on July 27. He will stay in Quetta for a day and will then leave for Teteran to assume charge as Pakistan's Ambassador in Iran.

DEATH SENTENCE NOT TO BE EXECUTED

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan, in an interview here today said that Mr. N. Gopalswami Iyyengar, Minister Without Portfolio Government of India, in a telephonic talk with him this morning assured him that the Government of India would not execute the death sentence passed on Dr. Abdul Ghani Quereshi until the matter had been discussed between the Government of India and Pakistan.

KASHMIR INVASION

Pakistan's Tactics To Hide Complicity

SRINAGAR, July 17 (UPI): The United Press of India understands that the enemy 25-pounder guns which were in regular action for sometime past on the Chakothi front (Kashmir) have been silent for the last few days. This, among other things, is believed to be due to the fact that the enemy now wants to hide Pakistan's complicity in the invasion of Kashmir at a time when the U.N. Commission has arrived in India and is expected to visit the various fronts to see things for themselves.

It will be remembered that in the Security Council meetings, Pakistan's chief delegate, Sir Mohammad Zafrullah Khan, denied that his country had anything to do with the raids on Jammu and Kashmir.

Latest Military Feat In Kashmir

SRINAGAR, July 17, (API):: Construction of a road in six weeks across the 11,936— feet high mountainous Razdhanangan pass, is among the latest feats of the Royal Indian Engineers in aiding the Indian troops in the Kashmir operations.

Starting from Bandipur, our engineering column with the help of six tons of high explosives pierced through about three hundred to four hundred coolies working day and night. Prompt completion of this road greatly aided our troops in giving a final route to enemy concentrations beyond Razadhanangan.

KASHMIR COMMISSIONERS' TALKS WITH ZAFRULLAH

KARACHI, July 18 (API): A press "Communique" issued from the U.N. Commission's Secretariat says: "H. E. Mr. Alfredo Lozano, representative of Columbia and vice-President of the United Nation's Commission for India and Pakistan and Mr. J. Wesley Adams, Adviser (U.S.A.) called on Sir Mohammad Zafrullah Khan, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Pakistan, at nine a.m. today. They had informal talks with the Foreign Minister for an hour and forty-five minutes.

H.E. Mr. Alfredo Lozano and party left for Delhi at 2-30. p.m.

AMERICA READY TO SMASH UP BERLIN BLOCKADE

MILITARY GOVERNORS OF WEST GERMANY TO DISCUSS PLAN

FRESH PROTEST NOTES TO MOSCOW BY THREE POWERS

FRANKFURT, July 18. (U.P.A.): If the British and French agree the Western Allies will carry out an American sponsored plan to smash through the Soviet blockade of Berlin by force, high Allied sources disclosed today.

The plan to send an armoured train or armed truck convoy with food supplies into the besieged city already has the tentative British support, these sources said. Final approval now hinges on agreement by the French who have accepted reluctantly most of the recent Three-Power decisions on Germany.

MILITARY GOVERNORS TO MEET

It was understood the plan will be discussed in Berlin tomorrow by the three Military Governors of Western Germany.

An informative report on the plan was expected to be made by British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin to the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the five Western Union nations at The Hague this week.

If the plan is accepted, these sources said, it will form the basis of the new Three-Power Note which Washington officials indicated would be made to Moscow next week-end.

WASHINGTON, July 18, (U.P.I): According to diplomatic sources here, the United States, Britain, and France are drafting new protest Notes to Moscow against the Berlin Blockade, and these may be ready for delivery this week. It is understood, the new Notes strongly refute Russia's claim that the Western Powers alone are responsible for the current impasse.

Diplomatic circles here state that the new Notes are accepted as being the course that the three Powers can now take and they can conceivably lead to an amicable settlement.

The Notes, it is believed, will not be ultimatums, but will reiterate the previous stand that the Western Powers cannot be driven from Berlin by threats. The Notes will again demand that the blockade be lifted and may, at the same time, contain an offer to discuss currency reforms in Western Sectors.

MORE SKYMASTERS FOR BERLIN

BERLIN, July 18, (Reuter): Another seventy giant four-engined Skymasters from the United States will soon augment the "air bridge" supplying the three western sectors of Berlin

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Cominform For Asia

NEW YORK, July 18 (Reuter).—The "New York Times" correspondent in New Delhi reported today that observers in touch with Communist activities believed an Asian Cominform would soon be set up in Bangkok, where many European communists, including Russians, had been reported recently.

The outlook for Communism in South-East Asia leaves no room for complacency in the Democratic West, the writer said. Indian Communists have failed to establish a common leftist front with the Socialists. However, Communism appeals to the young intellectuals in India. Its prospects are good for making gains in a country whose thought is leftishly inclined.

Token Strike In City Abandoned

BOMBAY, July 18 (API): The one-day general token strike decided to be called tomorrow by the employees of the fourth class establishment of Ordnance Depots, R.I.A.F. Formations, HMIS dockyard and engineering stores depot in Bombay has been abandoned following intervention of the Regional Labour Commissioner, Government of India, Mr. D. G. Jadhav.

Representatives of the Employees' Unions who decided on Friday to call the strike demanding certain consessions met Mr. Jadhav yesterday and sought his intervention.

Mr. Jadhav is understood to have told the representatives that while retrenchment of lower grade employees could not be stopped he would see to it that skilled and unskilled labour were resettled as soon after retrenchment as possible. He also told them that he would personally intervene in cases of summary dismissal.

Union representatives who called back their strike decision at a meeting today are also understood to have waived their demand for enhanced dearness allowance on being told that it was an All India issue to be settled by the Government of India.

U. S. POLICY IN INDONESIA

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—Moscow Radio alleged today that United States policy in Indonesia was "one of the main factors responsible for the present situation in that long-suffering country." It also accused "Dutch Imperialists" of "trying to convince world public opinion that they may be compelled to resume military operations."

The Radio added: "They may be prompted to do so by their desire to suppress the national liberation movement of 70,000,000 Indonesians, and to restore the old colonial system in the interests of Dutch colonial circles and their foreign, especially American patrons."

America's New Floating Dry Dock

WASHINGTON, July 18 (UPA).—The Navy said today that it has a new floating dry dock that will increase the efficiency of big sea-planes, especially under combat conditions.

They dry dock is an experimental model which recently passed tests at Port Hueneme, California. It eliminates the job of hoisting sea-planes aboard tenders for maintenance at sea. It can accommodate the Navy's largest seaplanes, including the Martin Mars and Mariner.

Police On Track Of Hyderabad Blockade-Runners

Counterfeiting Of Indian Coins Inside State: Large-Scale Preparations For Conflict

POONA, July 18 (API). Police here yesterday arrested four persons following a raid on a house in Poona Cantonment when a sten gun, 200 rounds of sten catridges, an army telescope and ammunition were recovered. The arrested persons include two Anglo-Indians, one of them an ex-Army man a Muslim and a Christian.

The arrest of these persons, it is believed in police quarters may help track down a gang of smugglers who, it was reported from Bombay yesterday, were carrying arms and ammunition and others Indian goods into Hyderabad territory in contravention of Government's blockade measures.

HYDERABAD PREPARES FOR WAR?

MADRAS: (UPI): Reliable news from different parts of the State, particularly Hyderabad City, goes to show that the Nizam's Government is making large-scale preparations for a war with the Indian Union. The A.R.P. measures in the City, strengthening of the old fortresses, etc. prove that the Government is determined to go headlong for a clash" says a news bulletin issued by the Hyderabad State Congress Central Office, Madras.

The bulletin adds: "Reports are there that the Nizam has been given full assurances by the fascist clique around him that the State would be able to give a fight for six months. This is, however being discountenanced by a few realist military officers."

COUNTERFEETING INDIAN COINS

The bulletin further says that agents of the Nizam's Government have started manufacturing Indian Union coins in order to meet the currency crisis in Hyderabad State created due to the Freezing and Currency Ordinances of the Government of India. It is alleged that high Government officials, despite knowing this, are conniving at this.

BHANSALI'S REPLY TO NIZAM

WARDHAGANJ: The United Press of India understands that Prof. Bhansali has received a reply from the Home Secretary, Hyderabad State, to the effect that the State Government would allow Prof. Bhansali to visit the State under State protection if he gives an assurance that he will not undertake any fast during his stay there and indulge in any political activity

Prof. Bhansali is reported to have replied that his visit will be on purely on humanitarian grounds. He does not desire to indulge in politics but would undertake a fast if women's honour is being trampled with. He should also have liberty to meet all people.

Prof. Bhansali's health is satisfactory so far.

GRIM VIEW OF CRISIS

War Danger Grows, Says Washington Press

WASHINGTON, July 18 (UPA).—Public and officials received a grim view of the Berlin situation as all Sunday papers reported in big headlines over dispatches from Germany the possibility of armed clashes.

The "Washington Post" headlined its story "War danger grows in Berlin." The "Times Herald" bannered "Russians ready to risk war over Berlin." The "Star", four columns wide, said, "Reds ready to fly many planes in Allied line. United States plan to seek showdown at risk of war. Russians believed pushing Berlin crisis to danger point."

The State Department kept a special staff on duty, headed for part of the day by Assistant Secretary of State Lovett, but a spokesman declined to comment on how serious the Department considered the situation or what the next moves would be. He said the crisis was being watched most closely, however, in all Western European capitals.

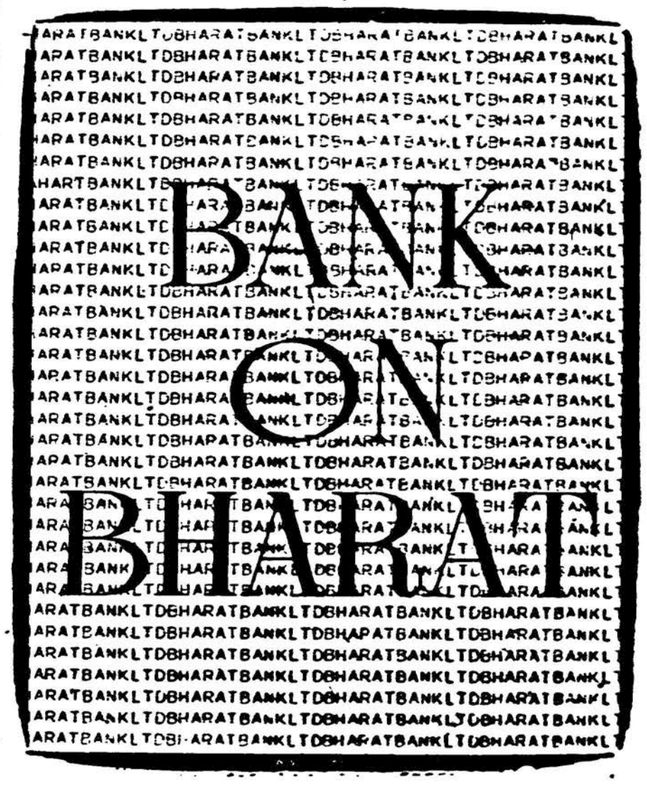
U.S. PLANES LIFT RECORD LOADS

FRANKFURT, July 18 (UPA).—United States Air Force planes supplying Berlin set a new record today by lifting 1,506 tons of coal and supplies to the former German capital in the 24 hours ending 14-00 GMT.

Rain and low ceilings prevailed for one half of the 24-hour period, the Air Force said.

JOURNALISTS PROTEST

PATIALA, July 18. (UPI): The Working Committee of the East Punjab States Union Journalists Association Patiala at a special meeting passed a resolution strongly protesting against "the callous attatude shown by the Publicity Officer Patiala State in refusing access to the local journalists t othe Patiala Fort, where the inauguration ceremony of the Union was performed and protesting against what was called "insultingly pushing back" of Mr Om Prakesh Vij a press photographer of Jullunder, who had gone there for photographing the function but was refused admission.



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(2) One post of Deputy Director of Industries (Planning and Development) on a pay of Rs. 1100-50-75/2-1300. Qualifications M.A. or M.Sc. in Economics or M.Com. with Research Degree. The candidate should have also published some original work on Economic or Industrial Planning. Age— not more than 45 years.

(3) One post of Industrial Engineer and Inspector of Technical and Industrial Institutions on a pay of Rs. 500-50/2-1000. Qualifications— A graduate in Mechanical Engineering with additional knowledge and experience in Electrical Engineering, Metallurgy or Textile Engineering. Candidates with experience and knowledge of local industrial and technical institutions and those in foreign countries will be preferred. Age— not more than 35 years.

(4) One post of Assistant Director of Textiles on a pay of Rs. 500-50/2-1000. Qualifications —B.Sc. or M.Sc. in Textiles Technology (Manchester) or equivalent foreign degree with specialization either in Silk or Jute Technology. In addition to administrative experience the candidate should have practical experience extending over at least three years in a Jute, Cotton or Silk Mill. Age— not more than 35 years.

(5) One post of Industrial Intelligence Officer on a pay of Rs. 150-25-200-25/2-300-50/2-650. Qualifications—B.Com. or M.A. in Economics or M.Sc. (Tech.) The candidate should have some knowledge of statistics or commercial geography. Age— not more than 30 years.

(6) Two posts of Planning and Development Officers on a pay of Rs. 150-25-200-25/2-300-50/2-650. Qualificatons— M.A. or B.Com. in Economics or M.Sc. (Tech.) Candidates with experience in economics or industrial planning will be preferred. They will be required to prepare reports or brochures on surveys of raw materials or to complete schemes of the development of particular industries. Age not more than 30 years.

(7) Three posts of Divisional Superintendents on a pay of Rs. 150-25-200-25/2-300-50/2-650. Qualifications —M.A. or B.Com. in Economics or M.Sc. (Tech.) Candidates should be capable of undertaking regional surveys of raw materials and existing industries. Candidates with knowledge of statistics or commercial geography will be preferred. Age— not more than 30 years.

Candidates for the above posts should be of good physique and character. All things being equal preference will be given to Pakistan nationals. For posts at Nos. 4 to 7 preference will be given to persons domiciled in East Bengal.

Full details and application forms may be obtained from the office of the Public Service Commission, Eastern Pakistan, New Secretariat Building, Ramna, Dacca, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH ONE ANNA PAKISTAN POSTAL STAMP affixed. (Application forms will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamp). Candidates who are unable to obtain copies of prescribed form may apply on any printed or typed form, a sample of which was published in the "Calcutta Gazette' of the 21st November 1946, provided that the form used is of the size and shows exactly the wording and spacing of the sample form, that the words of the sample are not reproduced in handwriting and that the blanks are filled in the candidates' own handwriting. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5 being the requisite fee to be deposited under the head "XXXVI— Miscellaneous" is 16th August 1948. 681

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THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay VT., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 13 hours on 28th July 1948 for the supply of Milk to the Railway Canteens at Lonavla and Ghauts. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office or from the Asst. Controller Grainshops, Poona. 661

G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites Tenders for the purchase of serviceable, damaged and completely unserviceable empty kerosene oil tins made of bright and black sheets available at 'General' Stores Depot, Lower Parel of this Railway. Form obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13 at Re. 1/-/- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 6th August, 1948. 636

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE CHIEF ENGINEER, M. & S. M. RAILWAY MADRAS,

for REBUILDING BRIDGES Nos. 221, 240, 241 and 255 between SHEDBAL and KIRLOSKARWADI on Belgaum District upto 12 hours on MONDAY, the 2nd August, 1948.

Tender forms and other documents will be issued on application on payment of Rs. TEN PER SET.

Earnest money is to be paid in advance at the rate of Rs. 500/- per tender.

Value of work approximately Rupees Sixty two thousands. 670

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

AUGMENTATION OF THE CITY'S WATER SUPPLY

VAITARNA-CUM-TANSA SCHEME

THE SPECIAL ENGINEER invites sealed tenders separately for the supply of

(1) Sluice Valves (Tender No. 10)

(2) Air Valves (Tender No. 11)

Forms of tenders, specifications etc. will be available from the office of the Construction Engineer, Vaitarna-cum-Tansa Scheme, Ex-Trust Building, Murzban Road, Fort, Bombay, at Rs. 5/- per copy of each tender, not refundable. Forms will not be sent by post to Bombay firms.

Closing date, Wednesday, the 20th October, 1948, at 1-00 p. m. (B.T.)

By Order of the Municipal Commissioner.
Bombay, 12th July, 1948. (669)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the posts of Drawing Teachers in the Municipal Gujarati, Hindi and Urdu Primary Schools, from candidates whose mother tongue is Gujarati, Hindi and Urdu respectively. The grade salary of the post is Rs. 60-5-160, with the usual Dearness Allowance. The candidates who will have to go to more than one school will get Rs. 10/- p.m. C.A. The candidates must at least possess the Drawing Teachers' certificate of the J. J. School of Arts, Bombay. The candidates should state in their applications, their qualifications, the examinations passed by them, in the subject of Drawing, the certificates held, particulars as regards the experience in teaching Drawing, their mother tongue and the date of birth. Candidates if called for interview, will have to come at their own expense.

Applications together with copies of certificates should be addressed to the Secretary, Schools Committee, Gilder Tank Building, Lahington Road, Grant Road, Bombay (7), so as to reach her not later than the 26th July 1948.

K. KHANDVALA,
Secretary, Schools Committee
The Schools Committee's Office,
Gilder Tank Building,
Grant Road, Bombay (7).
16th July, 1948. 673

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS will be received upto 30-8-48, from Science Graduates for admission to 6 month's course of training in industrial uses of lac commencing on 1-10-48. Fees for the entire course: Rs. 25/- for nominees of shallac trade and Rs. 150/- for others. For prospectus and application form write to the Director, Indian Lac Research Institute, Namkum Ranchi, Bihar. 683

NOTICE

THE LAST DATE for receipt of tenders for "Supply of 1-1/2" hard granite stone metal for works at Vascodagama" originally fixed as 15th July 1948. is extended upto 12 hours on Monday the 26th July 1948.

CHIEF ENGINEER
M. & S.M. Railway 680

TENDER NOTICE

Specification No. ELG/T-8

ADDITIONAL TRANSFORMERS FOR NORTH GUJARAT AND TRANSFORMERS FOR SOUTH GUJARAT ELECTRIC GRID SCHEMES.

THE TIME for receiving tenders for the above is extended to 5 p.m. on 4th October, 1948. The tenders will be opened at 11 a.m. on 5th October, 1948.

P. B. ADVANI
Electrical Commissioner
with the Government of Bombay
Electric Grid Offices,
Foreshore Road,
Bombay 16th July, 1948. 671

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that owing to the dissolution of the firm of CSANGO by the retirement of Mr. Tibor Marcus, the affairs of Csango Shoe Saloon, a department of the said firm, are being wound up. All persons therefore having any claims against the said Csango Shoe Saloon are requested to notify the same to the undersigned within a fortnight from the date hereof whereafter the same will not be entertained.

Bombay dated this
17th day of July, 1948.
(Sd.) J. D. SOPHER 9207

BOMBAY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

SUPERINTENDENT, N.M. MENTAL HOSPITAL, THANA

APPLICATIONS are invited BEFORE 18-8-1948 preferably from persons domiciled in the Province of Bombay and non-Muslim refugees from Pakistan for the post of SUPERINTENDENT, N. M. Mental Hospital, Thana. PAY:— Rs. 300-500 PLUS cost of living allowance if admissible PLUS rent free quarters. Higher starting pay admissible. Consulting practice in his speciality allowed, QUALIFICATIONS:—M. B. B. S. (Bom.) or an equivalent qualification and in addition the D. P. M. Diploma of the Bombay University or an equivalent qualification or experience in the practice of psychiatric medicine. AGE:—Not more than 35 years on 1-11-1948. Relaxable in suitable cases. Application form supplied on receipt of a large addressed envelope bearing 3½ annas postage stamps and CROSSED Postal Order for Re. 1/- payable to "The Secretary, Bombay Public Service Commission, Bombay", who will also supply full details on request. (668)

NOTICE.

BUILDING SITES Plot Nos. 67 to 72 74, 75, 77, 80, 81, 83, to 88 as per layout plan of T.S. No. 436 and 439 etc., of Block No. 12 of the Market ward close to the northern gate of Vizagapatam Harbour and most suitable for mercantile buildings. ware-houses. godowns, Offices and for spacious first class residences will be sold in public auction by the undersigned from 8 a.m. onwards on 30-7-1948 near the Bus-stand. Copies of conditions of sale and layout plan will be supplied on payment of Rs. 2/- per set. They can be seen free of cost in the Municipal Office during office hours.

(Sd) B. SURYANARAYANA RAO,
Commissioner 645

OUDH TIRHUT RAILWAY

TENDER NO. GB-10,TAPE COTTON/13/48

CONTROLLER of Stores, O. T. Railway, Gorakhpur invites sealed tenders on the prescribed form for the supply of 14,00.000 pieces of tape cotton 12"x3,8" for sealing wagons. Tender forms can be had from Controller of Stores, O. T. Railway, Gorakhpur on payment in cash or by money order (not refundable) of Rupees three per set. The above tender number must be quoted in the relative money order. Tenders must reach the office of Controller of Stores before 20th August 1948 on which date no tender will be sold. These will be opened the next day at 3 p.m.

CONTROLLLER OF STORES. 672

WANTED

ONE TEMPORARY ASSISTANT BARCRO OPERATOR on Rs. 100/- p.m. plus dearness allowances. Minimum qualifications Matriculation and 5 years experience in Barcro Operation. Applications stating qualifications, experience and age should reach the Assistant Director of Personnel (Employments), The Tata Iron & Steel Co., Ltd: Jamshedpur, BEFORE THE 1st AUGUST. 1948 627

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED ITEM RATE Tenders in B-2 Form are re-invited for the work of Improvements to Surat Water Supply at Surat, estimated to cost Rs. 4,51,350/- approximately. Particulars regarding the items of work, drawings and specifications can be seen in the office of the undersigned at Surat, at any time, during office hours, and tender forms can be had from the office of the undersigned at a cost of Rs. 5/- upto 14th August 1948, 11-30 a.m. Tenders will be received upto 4 p.m. on the 16th August 1948, with a treasury chalan of Rs. 4,514/- and will be opened on the same day if possible.

The Public Health Engineer to the Government of Bombay Poona reserves the right to accept or reject the tenders without giving any reasons therefor.

K. V. JOSHI,
Executive Engineer,
Northern Sanitary Division.
Surat, 15th July, 1948. 658

NOTICE.

1. SEALED TENDERS IN ENGLISH are invited for the work of constructing 'A' type quarters (units Nos. 355) according to alternative designs of various types of construction at various stations on the Bulsar, Baroda, Ahmedabad, Ratlam and Kotah districts of the Railway. The whole work is estimated to cost approximately 15 lakhs.

2. Tenders should reach the office of the Chief Engineer, B.B. & C.I. Railway, Churchgate, Bombay, not later than 13 hours on 30th August 1948.

3. Tender forms together with general conditions, schedule of approximate quantities, additional specifications, alternative designs, list of stations where these quarters are to be constructed, and a note regarding foundations can be obtained from the office of the Chief Engineer, B.B. & C.I. Railway, Churchgate, Bombay, during office hours on payment of Rs. 10/- only which will not be refunded. Plans may be seen in the Chief Engineer's office or in the District Engineer's offices. Rates should be quoted in the tender for work at each station separately. Tenderers may quote for work at one or more stations but must quote for all units required at any individual station.

4. Tenders on the specified form only will be accepted and tenders must be accompanied by the conditions, additional specifications and schedule of quantities duly signed by the tenderer.

5. Tenders will be opened at 3 p.m. on the 30th August 1948 in public and the tenderers or their representatives who wish to be present may attend.

H. R. EVELEIGH
Chief Engineer.
B.B. & C. I. Railway.
Churchgate. 667

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. DHANJIBHAI PURSHOTTAM; HIRJI PURSHOTTAM and MATHURADAS HARIDAS, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell free from encumbrances the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having any claim of any sort against the said property are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within ten days. In default the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and sale completed.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All those two pieces or parcel of Fazandari land, amalgamated into one and situate at Narayan Dhuru Street and known as plot No. 122, containing by admeasurement about 153 square yards or thereabouts with the buildings structures and tenements standing thereon and known as Mathradas Bhavan bearing Cadastral Survey No. 664 of Bhuleshwar Division and bearing Municipal B Ward No. 894-95 Street No. 120-122, 41-43 and 45-47, Narayan Dhuru Street, and Bibijan Street.

Dated this 17th day of July 1948.

AMBUBHAI AND DIWANJI
Purchasers Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay. 684

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. GULAMALI HABIB RAWJI, BAI KULSAMBAI wife of Gulamali Habib Rawji and Mr. JUSABALI ISMAIL EBRAHIM all of Bombay Muslim Inhabitants, the Trustees of an Indenture of Settlement dated the 1st November 1938 have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property of whatsoever kind or nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece of land admeasuring 645 sq. yds. with the buildings thereon situate on and being plot No. 46 of the Nowroji Hill Estate of the Corporation in the City of Bombay bounded on the North by plot No. 47 of the said Estate on the East by No. 11 Nowroji Hill Road on the South by No. 11-B Nowroji Hill Road and on the West by Chinch Bunder Road which piece of land forms portion of New Survey No. 3639 and bears Cadastral Survey No. 91/1721 of Mandvi Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under B Ward Nos. 4150, 4151 and 4152 Street No. 49A Street, Sandhurst Road, East.

Dated this 16th day of July, 1948.

JAMSEDJI RUSTOMJI & DEVIDAS
Purchaser's Attorneys 675

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Mr. GULAMALI HABIB RAWJI of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property of whatsoever kind or nature are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Lalgir Chambers Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece of leasehold land admeasuring 631 Sq. Yds. with the buildings thereon situate on and being Plot No 47 of the Nowroji Hill Estate of the Corporation in Bombay bounded on the North by Plot No. 48 of the said Estate on the East by Nowroji Hill Road No. 11 on the South by Plot No. 46 of the said Estate and on the West by Chinch Bunder Road, which piece of land forms portion of New Survey No. 3639 and bears Cadastral Survey No. 102/1721 of Mandvi Division and is assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under B. Ward Nos. 4153, 4154 and 4155 Street No. 49B Street Sandhurst Road East.

Dated this 16th day of July 1948

JAMSEDJI RUSTOMJI & DEVIDAS
Purchaser's Attornes. 674

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KRISHNALAL LALLUBHAI RANDERY and RAMANGAVRI KRISHNALAL RANDERY of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell to our client THE PLOT AT BANDRA BEARING FINAL PLOT NO. 503 OF TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO. III MEASURING ABOUT 795 SQ. YDS.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at 19 Nanabhoy Lane Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any will be considered as waived.

Dated this 16th day of July, 1948.

MOTICHAND & DEVIDAS
Purchaser's Attorneys 676

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE of 260 Bags Tobacco, etc., on TUESDAY, 20th Inst. at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) at the Shop of M/s D. H. Hosmani, Clive Road, Mandvi, Bombay, under instructions from the Court Receiver, as the Receiver appointed in Bombay High Court, Suit No. 1258 of 1948 (Virupaxappa V s D. H. Hosmani).

Terms: 25 per cent cash deposit.

AUCTION SALE of Mill Jin Stores including English Roller Varnish, Leather Beltings 1-1/2" to 3", Picking Bands. Secondhand Shuttles, of 13-1/2" and 14", Pickers, Car Batterys, of 12 Volt, Spinning and Weaving Machinery Parts, etc., on FRIDAY, 23rd inst. at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at our Auction Rooms, at 72, Medows St. Fort, under instructions fom the Concerned.

Terms: 25 per cent cash deposit.

GANDHI & CO.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE

AUCTION SALE of R.I.N. Stores, Mankhurd, which was to be held today has been POSTPONED to 29th July, 1948 at 10 a.m. (S.T.) at the same depot.

CRAWFORD & CO.

FOUR CHINESE KILLED

Clash With Australian Officials On Nauru Island

SYDNEY, July 17 (Reuter): Four Chinese were killed in a clash with Australian officials on the Pacific Island of Nauru, when hundreds of Chinese labourers, armed with spears, clubs and axes, refused to emoark for China at the end of their term of two years' service on the island, it was reported here today. The labourers erected barricades and hurled a shower of stones at Australian officials who ordered them to lay down their weapons, the reports said. Chinese then made a rush forward and shots fired over their heads failed to stop the advance. Two Chinese were shot dead and two others, seriously wounded, died later.

The officials were members of the Australian administration on Nauru otherwise known as Pleasant Island, which lies on the equater due west of the Gilbert Islands. The Chinese labourers, 1,500 of whom were due to leave after their period of service, refused to board the British steamer "Helkton" owned by a Hong Kong Company.

Mr E. J Ward, Australian Minister for External Territories, declined to comment on the reports until he had received official information.

Hungary Accuses Yugoslav Legation

BUDAPEST, July 17 (Reuter): Hungary accused the Yugoslav Legation in Budapest of "protecting the instigator of a political assassination" in reply to a Yugoslav Note alleging that Legation personnel were being shadowed by Hungarian police, it was announced here tonight.

The exchange of notes arose out of the death of Yugoslav student Moic Milos, found injured by several revolver bullets in a Budapest college on July 10, who died later in hospital, the Hungarian Central News Agency reported.

Evidence unanimously pointed to a political crime, the Press Department of the Hungarian Ministry of the Interior announced. Moic Milos was a member of the Democratic Union of South Slavs living in Hungary, against whom, it was alleged, pressure was applied after the Cominform expulsion of the Yugoslav Communist Party to persuade him to oppose the Communform's stand.

GLUBB PASHA DISMISSED?

LONDON, July 17 (UPA): An Exchange Telegraph Damascus dispatch today quoted the Syrian newspaper, BARADA, as saying that the Transjordan Government has dismissed Brigadier Glubb Pasha as Commander of the Arab Legion. Glubb was reported leaving for London

The Transjordan Legation in London said it has asked Amman about the report

The British Foreign Office was also without information.

ARAB DENIAL

Later reports from Amman say:—

The Arab Legion today officially denied published reports that Glubb Pasha, Commander of the Arab Legion, had resigned, saying "that they are absolutely false."

The official statement said "Glubb still is Legion Commander and has no intention of resigning."

DISPLAY OF U. S. AIR POWER?

Britain Surprised At Arrival Of Sixty Superforts

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, July 17— The arrival of sixty Superfortresses in Britain caused surprise though American authorities describe this action as temporary training mission. It is viewed as a display of American power and resolution to Russia. No doubt, should the necessity arise, this force will go into action. It is believed that so long as the Berlin tension continues U.S.A. will maintain atleast three groups of these huge warplanes in western Europe.

There is little war hysteria among the public even though newspapers and official circles employ military terms in description of the situation as 'war' but it is feared the country may be moved pastages into grave situation from which withdrawal may be rendered difficult.

Only Way Out Of Berlin Blind Alley

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, July 18.

Advices from Paris show that the French Government is strongly urging Washington and London to agree to a meeting of the Big Four, even if that means the sacrifice of minor points of prestige.

France is prepared to offer such a meeting even before Berlin blockade is lifted. This is considered the only way out of Berlin blind alley.

Fire Damage In Kanpur

KANPUR, July 17 (API)—A serious fire involving a loss of about thirty thousand Rupees broke out late last night in a shop in Topi Bazar Chowk as a result, it is said, of the over-loading of lectric meter. Two other neighbouring shops were also gutted.

DIED OF GUN ACCIDENT

SINGAPORE, July 18. (Reuter): Mr. John B. Archer, former Chief Secretary of Sarawak, died there today from wounds received in a gup accident, the Singapore Sunday Times reported. According to Kuching, Sarawak, correspondent of the paper, Mr. Archer, who was 55 was found lying seriously wounded at his home and died later in hospital.

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CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Ashad Shud 14, 2004.
Muslim: Ramzan, 11, 1367.
Parsi: Behman 20, 1317.
Sunrise 6-11 a.m. Sunset 19-19 p.m.
Hightide 11-43, 23-07.
Lowtide 04-33, 17-54.
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: 2-30 p.m. (B.T.)
Municipal Standing Committee 2 p.m. (B.T.).

To-day's Engagements

SOUTH INDIAN EDUCATION SOCIETY'S HIGH SCHOOL, MATUNGA: Prof. P A. Wadia will deliver the inaugural address of the Literary and Debating Society in the School Hall at 4 p.m. today (Monday).

THE INTER RELIGIOUS STUDENT FELLOWSHIP: Prof. P. A. Wadia will speak on "Students and Ideals" at the Farbus Sabha Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road, today (Monday) at 6-15 p.m.

LABOUR COLLEGE, MATUNGA: Sjt. Asoka Mehta will begin a series of of lectures on Development of Socialist Thought today (Monday) at 6-45 p.m.

ART EDUCATION COMMITTEE:—At the Bombay Art Society's Salon 6, Rampart Row at 5-30 p.m. today (Monday). Mr. Svetoslav Roerich will preside.

AT YOU TODAY: "Manifesto Evening" at Youths' Own Union—YOU—today (Monday) at Cama Oriental Institute's Library Hall at 6-15 p.m.

ALL INDIA DENTAL ASSOCIATION: Scientific meeting at 7 p.m. today (Tuesday) at the Conference Hall, Electric House, Colaba, Bombay.

THANA TOWN CONGRESS COMMITTEE: Election for office-bearers was held in Hanuman Vyayamshala and the following were unanimously elected: President: Syt. Devi Sahai Bajpai, Vice-President: Syt. Damodar Thaker, Secretaries, Syt. Yashwant Thanekar, Syt. Narotam Thakker. Teasurer: Syt. Purnmal Mundra.

SUGAR SHIPPERS & BUYERS ASSOCIATION have sent the following telegram to the Secretary, The Ministry of Transport, The Secretary, the Central Board of Railways, New Delhi and to the Traffic Manager, O. T. Railway, Gorakhpur, protesting against the increase in the freight rate for sugar.

BOMBAY CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION: At a meeting of the Executive Committe of the Bombay Civil Liberties Union, a resolution was unanimously adopted urging upon the Government of Bombay to institute an independent enquiry into the police firing on Municipal Sweepers on 1st July. Mr. N. M. Joshi, President of the Union, was in the chair. The meeting also decided to organise a Bombay Provincial Civil Liberties Conference sometime in next November and appointed a Committe to make arrangements for holding the conference.

THE DHARAMSI MORARJI CHEMICAL COMPANY LIMITED. Twenty-eighth ordinary General Meeting of the Share holders today (Monday) at 4 p.m. (S.T.) at the Registered office, Prospec Chambers, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay.

Government House News

GANSHKHIND, July 17.

Rani Maharaj Singh visited the Nagarik Sanghatana Samiti, Congress Bhuvan, Poona where she was received by Mrs. Savitri Madan, Secretary of the Nagarik Sanghatana Samiti and Mrs. Krishnabai Nimbkar, Secretary of the Refugee Coordination Committee.

Mr. and Dr. (Mrs.) B. J. Coyajee came to lunch.

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Mr. Khurody, Milk Commissioner, has been deputed by the Bombay Government to finalise the layout and details of the milk plant ordered for Are Milk Colony.

WEATHER

Weather Summary

POONA, July 18 (API): The following is the daily weather summary for Sunday the 18th July 1948:

Observations from the United Provinces and the central parts of the country are lacking. Rainfall has been widespread in Assam, Mysore, Malabar, the Konkan, Hyderabad and the East Rajputana and local in Eastern Pakistan, West Bengal, Bihar the East United Provinces, the West Central Provinces and the Bombay Deccan. There have also been a few showers in Chota Nagpur, the West United Provinces, Central India, the East Central Provinces, Gujarat, South-East Madras and the North Madras coast.

Day temperatures were appreciably above normal from the East Punjab and the North-West Frontier Province to Gujarat and West Central India.

FORECAST until the 19th evening: Rainfall will increase in West Bengal, Orissa and Chota Nagpur and decrease in the north Madras coast. A few falls of rain are also likely in the United Provinces, the plains of the East Punjab, in and near the hills of the North-West Punjab, in Kashmir, East Rajputana, East Gujarat, Central India, Berar, South-East Hyderabad, the Madras Deccan and South-East Madras scattered dust or thunderstorms are possible in the N. W. F. P. Day temperatures may fall in the East Punjab.

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING: Locally heavy rain may occur in Assam, West Bengal, the East Punjab Hills and in and near the south Konkan during the next 48 hours.

Weather Chart

POONA, July 18 (API): Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st June 1948 and departure from normal recorded at eight hours I. S. T. on 18th July 1948.

Ahmedabad 99 83 0 1.4 minus 9.1 Ajmer 98 77 0.1 1.5 minus 4.9 Bangalore 78 67 0.4 9.1 plus 3.9 Baroda 98 80 T 3.6 nil Bhopal 88 75 T 14.7 minus 3.4 Bhuj 95 81 0 0 minus 4.8 Bombay 80 75 1.1 32.8 minus 2.9 Calcutta 88 81 T 17.3 minus 2.0 Cochin 82 73 0.2 55.3 plus 12.6 Colombo 84 79 T 12.5 plus 0.8 Cuttack 91 79 0 15.0 minus 2.4 Delhi 98 84 0 1.6 minus 6.2 Gwalior 85 76 0.2 5.6 nil Hyderabad (Dn) 86 72 0.6 4.1 minus 3.6 Hyderabad (Sd) 85 83 0 0 minus 2.1 Jaipur 101 76 0.1 1.3 minus 4.6 Lahore 104 86 0 6.1 plus 1.4 Lucknow 91 82 T nil Madras 97 77 0.3 2.4 minus 1.4 Mysore 78 68 0.1 5.1 plus 0.9 Ootacamund 61 53 0.4 11.0 minus 0.1 Patna 91 82 0.1 8.8 minus 5.0 Poona 80 72 T 9.1 plus 0.9 Ranchi 86 74 0.3 13.7 minus 3.9 Trivandrum 84 73 0.2 27.4 plus 9.4

Radio

MONDAY, July 19.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s) 7-30 a.m. S. G. Mohinuddin (Sitar) 7-40 a.m. News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) S. G. Mohinuddin (Sitar) 9-0 Haribhau Ghangrekar Khayal Vilambit and Drut 12-0 p.m. Behnon Ke Live (H) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Laker 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Orchestral Light Concert 4-20 School Broadcasts 5-0 B. G. Paricharik (Vocal) 5-15 V. D. Joglekar 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Mohan Advani 6-30 Shalini Narvekar (Puria) 7-0 Topic of Day 7-10 Local 7-15 B. G. Paricharik (Vocal) 7-30 Ram Varga Mate Tran Jarooriyato (G) 7-45 Leelavati Garba Party 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Musical Bound-up 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 BBC News 9-40 Anything Goes by Adi Marzban 9-45 Employment Exchange (B) 10-0 Haribhau Ghangrekar (Vocal).

VARIATIONS

41-44 m. (7,240 kc/s) 7-40 a.m. Sangeet Sabha 5-45 p.m. Mohan Advani 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners

61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s) 7-45 Commercial News 8-0 p.m. Sushama Divetia 8-15 Shalini Narvekar 9-0 V. D. Joglekar Khayal Vilambit 9-25 Susahma Divetia (Geeto) 10-0 Tuna Portuguesa 10-30 Music from the Films 10-45 Imelda Gonsalves: Mezzo Soprano

ALL INDIA RADIO, BOMBAY

At 9-30 p.m. today (Monday), the relay of a talk in English entitled 'WORLD PACIFIST MEETING' to be broadcast by Dr. Rajendra Prasad from Delhi. This talk can be heard on 244 and 62.48 metres.

"GANDHI MURDER TRIAL" NEWS REEL

RANCHI, July 18 (UPI).—The Bihar Government have declared the news reel entitled Godse trial or "Gandhi Murder Trial" as uncertified throughout the province of Bihar.

AMRITLAL & CO.'S DISPUTE WITH WORKERS

BOMBAY, Friday.

In a statement to the press, Messrs. Amritlal and Co., Ltd., say:—

"With reference to the dispute with our workers, negotiations were going on for a settlement in various ways and the management were always prepared for arbitration or adjudication in case an amicable settlement between the parties could not be arrived at.

"We regret to record that the Union throughout the negotiations shifted ground in their demands every time. Various allegations are being made against the management such as non-payment of bonus, low wages being paid at present, etc. Most of them are baseless and misleading. The management is paying 4 bonuses a year to old hands, and offered wages of Rs. 35 to 50 per month and dearness allowance of 100 per cent. In spite of this, the Union has called a strike from 1st July whilst negotiations were continuing.

"The latest statement of Mr. Sircar regarding the so-called Police assistance asked for by the management to break the morale of the workers is without any foundation. Police assistance has been only occasionally sought or requested to stop the workers from misbehaving, intimidating and disturbing the peace.

"If the Union advises the workers to seek fulfilment of their demands through the avenues open to them in a peaceful way instead of making wrong declarations they will better serve the workers."

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER

Results Of 1948 Commercial Examinations

The following is the list of successful candidates in the Diploma and Certificate Examinations held in April, 1948:—

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INSURANCE DIPLOMA: Roll No. 325 326 329 330 727 807 1046 1047 and 1084

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"POLICE SEEK RELATIVES OF A MURDERED WOMAN"

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The murdered body of a Hindu Ghati woman, aged about 28 years strong build, snub nose, wheat complexion, about 5'6" tall wearing black bodice and a Sari, with glass bangles of different colours on either hands, was found lying in Goregaon Jungle at place known as 'Walbhat Kardori', with its throat cut.

The Malad Police are endeavouring to establish the identity of the deceased woman but so far no relatives have come forward.

Any person having knowledge of the woman is requested to get in touch with Sub-Inspector of Police, Malad or Inspector Sami of the Bombay C. I. D. at his office at Head Police Office.—"Police News."

Organised Body For Himachal Harijans

SIMLA, July 18, (U. P. I.): The decision to form an organised body of Himachal Harijans was taken at a meeting of different Harijan Associations in Himachal at the residence of Shri Prithvi Singh Azad, East Punjab Minister for Labour, held there today.

The meeting decided to dissolve the different Harijan Associations in Himachal and form a provincial branch of the All-India Depressed Classes League in Himachal. Mr. Gopiram will be the first President of this branch.

A resolution was adopted at this meeting demanding representation in the Advisory Committee of the Himachal Pradesh.

Mr. A. G. Hard, Australian Trade Commissioner in Calcutta.

IMPROVE LOT OF MASSES

Patwardhan's Call To Congress

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Both the parent Congress organisation and the Congress Governments were dubbed as allies of capitalism by Mr. Achut Patwardhan, speaking in Bombay, last night.

Mr. Patwardhan who presided over a function held under the auspices of the Jahazi Mazdoor Union, at the Kamgar Sadan Hall, Mazagoan, to present a purse of Rs. 5,000. to its President Mr. Asoka Mehta, castigated the Congress and its Governments as trying to run with the hare and hunt with the hound."

If they meant to advance the interest of the masses, they should sever their "aliance" with the moneyed class, he said.

Mr. Patwardhan pointed out that it was not possible to ameliorate the lot of the masses and the working class people as long as there was a desire on the part of the Congress to protect the vested interests. He was sure that the promotion of the welfare of industrial labourers and 'Kisans' could not be accomplished by the existing out-dated social system.

Mr. Patwardhan said that conversion to socialism could come only through the heart.

He was also of the opinion that many evils, like the drink habit for instance, could be checked more effectively by the voluntary effort of an enlightened people than by legislation.

PLEA TO SEAMEN

Adverting to the problem of seamen Mr. Patwardhan advised all seafarers recruited in Bombay to come under one banner, putting an end to their present differences. He exhorted them to be so well disciplined that when they went to other countries in the course of their voyages they would be respected and regarded as representatives of the Indian people.

Mr. Ashok Mehta who besides the purse also received a model of a barge as a present, declared that he would donate the amount presented to him in the cause of organised labour.

The meeting before it terminated observed a minute's silence in memory of those who lost their lives in the Ramdas disaster

RASHTRABHASHA CLASSES

Rashtrabhasha Classes for the Prarambhic, Pravesh, Parichaya and Kovid examinations of the Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Wardha are held at the following centres on Sundays in the morning:

GIRGAUM:— 1. Aryan Education S. High School (4th floor) Opera House, Near Tram Terminus. 2. Young Mens Hindu Association, Vithalbhai Patel Road. 3. Hind Vidhyalaya, Angre Wadi, Vithalbhai Patel Road

THAKURDWAR:— 4. Maratha Mandir, 420, Thakurdwar 5 Saraswati Boys and Girls School, Gazdar Park (Sunday Afternoon)

KALBADEVI:— 6. Nanavati School, Bhuleshwar 7. Adarsha Bal Mandir, Dadisheth Agiyari Lane

FORT:— 8. Kabibai High School, Bora Bazzar Street, Bori Bunder (Sunday Afternoon)

DONGARI:— 9. Municipal Marathi School, Near Darby Cinema (Sunday Afternoon)

MAZGAON:— 10. Municipal School, Tara Baug, Love Lane.

GOWALIA TANK 11. Fellowship School.

WALKESHWAR:— 12 Municipal Hindi School, Dongarsi Road, Amrawadi

PAREL:— 13. Ramchandra Bhatt High School, Poibavadi.

DADAR:— 14. Chhabildas Boys School, Chhabildas Road 15. Bal Mohan Vidhya Mandir, Shivaji Park 16. Vanamali Hall, Chhabildas Road 17. Pinto Villa Portuguese Church Street.

MATUNGA:— Podar Commerce College 19. R. P. Sabha, 7 Krishna Niwas, Station Road

SION:— 20. Sion High School, Sion.

GHATKOPAR:— 21. Ramji Asar Vidhyalaya, Haveli Road.

KHAR:— 22. Sharada Mandir, 14th Road

SANTACRUZ:— 23. Anandilal Podar High School Ghodbunder Road.

VILEPARLE:— 24. Rashtriya Shala, Gandhi Chowk.

ANDHERI:— 25 Girls High School, Ghodbunder Road.

JAIPRAKASH NARAIN FOR DELHI

CALCUTTA, July 18 (UPI).—Mr. Jai Prakash Narain is leaving for Delhi by air tomorrow morning.

RAIL PRIORITY ASSISTANCE

The Regional Advisory Committee for Railway Priorities, Delhi region, has so far accorded rail priority assistance to agricultural implements, Diesel engines, boilers, plywood raw materials for Vanaspati Industries, carpet factories and to oil, sugar, textiles, strawboard, paper and embroidery mills, lime, condensed milk, leaf tobacco, medicines, leather, imported cement, pulses, bark, molasses, bajri, stone, bamboos and timber for various constructional projects including rehabilitation schemes.

As movements from Jubbulpore, Jhansi and Nagpur Divisions of the G.I.P. Railway continue to present difficulty, timber and other movements from those areas cannot be considered for the next three weeks. The co-operation of the public is, however, sought in obtaining timber from sources of supply situated on the E.P. Railway or on the Moradabad Division of the E. I Railway.

WAGON QUOTAS

As wagon quotas have been introduced on the B.P.I. Railway, Carnac Bridge and Wadi Bunder as well as on the E. I. Railway and B.N. Railway, applicants are advised that the correct course to adopt is to register their consignments for despatch at the despatching stations in the first instance but should movements be delayed indefinitely in spite of registration, in that event an application for movement for goods consigned to the E. P. Railway should be submitted to the Regional Controller of Railway Priorities, North Block, Central Secretariat, New Delhi, in the normal way with evidence relating to registrations of the goods and a remark from the despatching railway that chances of obtaining transport are remote.

"ORNAMENTS AWAIT IDENTIFICATION"

On the night of the 4th July a number of hooligans boarded an "E" Route Bus opposite Jariwala Building, Erskins Road, within the jurisdiction of the Pydhoni Police Station and stabbed some of the unwary passengers from some of whom they looted valuable ornaments, cash, etc.

In the course of their investigations the C. I. D. recovered a thin gold chain and a blue enamel gold ring with the name "Balchand" inscribed on it in English.

The owner of the ornaments or his friends are requested to contact inspector P. A. Khan of the C. I. D. who is available on Tel. No. 275 through the Police Exchange Tel. No. 39811.—"Police News."

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DISPOSALS

Tenders in prescribed form are invited for the purchase of various surplus foodstuffs located at Delhi, Avadi, Bombay, etc. The lots for sale include Marmalade, Jam, Golden Syrup, Tinned Bacon, Oatmeal, Baking Powder, Worcester Sauce, S & K Pudding, Luncheon Meat, Sausages, etc.

Tender form together with details of stores may be obtained from the Director General of Disposals, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi, or from the Offices of the Regional Commissioners (Disposals), Calcutta, Bombay, Madras and Kanpur on payment of Rs. 5- per form in Cash, Money Order Postal Order. The tender form will also serve as permit to inspect the stores.

All tenders should be accompanied by a receipt for 10 p.c. of the total price offered, deposited a "Revenue Deposit" in favour of the Director General of Disposals in Reserve Imperial Bank of India or Government Treasury. Tenders should be submitted in sealed double covers both superscribed "TENDER NO. H. 110(F) VARIOUS FOODSTUFFS" and should be addressed to Director General of Disposals, Foodstuffs Directorate, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi

LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF TENDERS: 4 P.M. on 10-8-48.

PUBLIC OPENING OF TENDERS: 11 A.M. on 11-8-48.

Tenders will be strictly governed by the general conditions laid down in form "Con. 117" and Special Conditions of Sale annexed to the tender form.

Permission to export the foodstuffs outside India will be given in accordance with the special conditions of sale. The purchaser will be responsible for satisfying himself as regards the quality of foodstuffs before tendering and for compliance with all regulations promulgated by Health Authorities.

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The Bombay Chronicle

"He who never relaxes into sportiveness is a wearisome companion; but beware of him who jests at everything. Such men disparage, by some ludicrous association, all objects which are presented to their thoughts, and thereby render themselves incapable of any emotion which can either elevate or soften; they bring upon their moral being an influence more withering than the blasts of the desert."
—SOUTHEY.

DEVELOPING COMMERCE

Mr. K. C. Neogy, Commerce Minister, Government of India, who came to Bombay last week in connection with the plans for the expansion of training facilities on the Training Ship "Dufferin", had a number of conferences with Bombay businessmen regarding the expansion of Indian industries and commerce. In a talk with the All-India manufacturers' organisation he was asked if it was not advisable to encourage foreign capital investment. Sir M. Visveswaraya pointed out that, during his recent tour of America and Canada, he had talks with industrialists there and he was convinced that foreign investors were willing to invest in India without claiming a share in management. Mr. Neogy, however, did not say anything more than that the question had to be decided in the light of a broader policy. The Government of India has made it fairly clear that it is not opposed to foreign capital when it is necessary but that it distrusts foreign control of our economic resources. We do not think that just at present any Indian industry suffers for want of foreign capital. But there should be no difficulty about utilising any offer of foreign capital, when necessary, provided there is no undue control of management. In this connection it is interesting to learn from Mr. Neogy that the Government of India has an idea to entrust the work of the huge Damodar Valley Project, which is to be on the model of the American T. V. A., to one or more American engineers. We trust however, that competent Indian engineers will be associated with the project as far as possible. This is necessary more in the interest of training than of economy. Self-reliance should be an ideal in every sphere of national life.

At his conference with the committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber on Saturday Mr. Neogy announced the Government of India's intention to establish a wide network of Trade Commissioners and Trade Attaches in all important countries of the world. This is only to be expected from independent India. These appointments will be valuable links between Indian businessmen and the overseas markets. Mr. Neogy suggested, for example, that there were big possibilities in exporting various articles of Indian handicrafts, particularly to the hard currency areas. This presupposes considerable development of handicrafts, particularly of the artistic type. But handicrafts have not yet received the attention they deserve. The expansion of exports in general, if only for the purpose of earning the sorely needed dollars, requires that Indian industries in general, large scale and small scale, be developed. One of the most important industries for the purpose of expanding commerce is the shipping industry. Government realises this and has already formulated its plan of shipping corporations. Then there is the problem of manning the Indian ships with well-trained Indian officers. For this purpose the Governing Body of the Training Ship "Dufferin" has adopted the plan for an increased number of deck officers and engineering apprentices, and training is also to be given in various ships, apart from the regular training establishments. Finally, one of the best means of developing Indian shipping is to insert in trade agreements a clause requiring that a definite percentage of the trade between India and other countries should be carried in Indian ships. Mr. Neogy has given an assurance that Government would keep this in view in negotiating trade agreements. Government should lose no more time in formulating a definite comprehensive plan of developing Indian industries and commerce. Such a plan is absolutely necessary to speed up and regulate production.

Hyderabad's Way Out

The Hyderabad Government's hint that it will take the questions arising out of its stand-still agreement with India and the Union's attitude to arbitration might be intended as a threat but it will be welcomed by Indian opinion. Despite the frequent incitements indulged in by mischievous "friends" of Hyderabad, India has nothing to fear from any impartial arbitration. Its policy in Hyderabad does not differ one whit from its policy in regard to the other States. And that is a policy of which India has no reason to be ashamed. If the autocratic Nizam insists in pursuing a policy of medieval reaction then it cannot be left to him alone to move world opinion. The voice of the real Hyderabad is bound to assert itself in any appeal to the conscience of the world.

Opinion in the Union is definitely hardening on the Hyderabad question. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru said in so many words that it was impossible to think of Hyderabad in any way except as a part of India. Sardar Patel has declared categorically that accession is the only solution to the controversies outstanding between Hyderabad and the Union. The mind of the Union is made up. The Central Government's views are a restrained expression of what the general public think. Though it is true that attempts have been made to drive party wedges even on such a challenge to national unity as Hyderabad presents, there can be no question of one section trying to deprive another of any glory or of one party making capital of the difficulties of another. The goal is the accession of Hyderabad to the Union and to that end the entire national effort is directed—not only that Hyderabad should accede but that the accession should be accomplished with ease and without causing avoidable hardship.

The Union Government has also made it clear that the rights of the Hyderabad people can in no way be ignored. It is not a case of bartering people's rights for the doubtful benefits of a technical accession. If that were so, there would be legitimate ground for protest, for a nominal accession would only tie up the hands of the Union Government and bind it to render all aid to the Hyderabad State authorities in keeping down public feeling. Nothing will be connived at which withholds from the people of Hyderabad the right to democratic progress and constitutional growth which have been won for the people of the rest of India. When this assurance is present, there is no need to seek for ulterior motives in the delays and diversions that are common to all great achievements. Accession is inevitable. And democratisation is something to which the Union Government has pledged itself and the Indian nation not only so far as Hyderabad is concerned but for All-India. Indeed a great step forward has already been taken in this direction by the Conference of Rajpramukhs and Premiers with the States Ministry, which concluded its deliberations at Delhi on Sunday. Against this stands the autocracy of the Nizam and the fanaticism of the Razakars. What impartial arbitration will say cannot be in serious doubt among men of goowill and understanding. If the Nizam feels disposed to seek world opinion, he will not find the Union hesitant. But it would be far more statesmanlike for him to establish the unity which is natural and inevitable now, than to go against the grain and then come in as a reluctant and humiliated partner.

Court Causerie

By Nestor

One of the reasons given in the bad report for locating the new city court in the High Court Annexe is that "we incidentally get the valuable benefit of the High Court Bar Library." It seems to us, however, that if a book is required in the course of hearing of a suit in the city court, the man who is sent to fetch it would have to go down three storeys of the Annexe climb up two storeys of the main building get hold of the book from the library and then be faced with a pleasant journey back in the reverse order —perhaps only to find that the case is already over, or that he has to plod his weary way again to fetch yet another book! The Third loor of the Annexe is almost exactly on a level with the second floor of the main building and it seems to us that the two can be connected by an overhanging passage at the north end of the Annexe. Nor is the distance separating the two buildings such as to rule out the posibility of constructing on overhanging passage. Everyone knows the inertia that affects the complex machinery of Government. Unless, therefore, effect is given to this suggestion now whilst the work of hitting up the city court on the third floor of the Annexe is in progress it is not likely to materialise for years. One cannot be sure whether this proposal is feasible from an engineering point of view. Subject to expert technical advise, however, the proposal deserves serious consideration if the city court is to avail itself of the Bar Library. As things stand at present, it seems to us that the new city court will for all practical purposes, have to do without a library and rely on the rules of natural justice!

The unanimous recommendations of the Lokur Committee advocating the immediate separation in the districts of the executive from the judiciary, if implemented, will abolish a pernicious evil that has long stained our judicial system. The primary function of the judiciary is to safeguard jealously the liberty of the individual from executive encroachment. It is in the nature of things impossible that this fundamental duty of the judiciary should be dischargsd satisfactorily if the two limbs of Government are united in the same person. The Lokur Committee has made a thorough job of its work, and has not only recommended the acceptance of the principle of separation, but has also chalked out a concrete scheme by which that separation can, in practice, be effected. In this respect the Committee was fortunate in having at its disposal the invaluable experience of its chairman, Mr. Justice Lokur, on the working of the judiciary in the districts both as a practising lawyer and as a judge. The proposal put forward by the Committee of having two types of Magistrate—one for the maintenance of law and order, and the other for purely judicial work, is a novel and useful one. The Committee has proposed that the judicial magistrates in the districts should be subordinate not to the Collector, but to the Sessions Judge and the High Court. This suggestion is a salutory one inasmuch as it is calculated to make the judiciary fearless and independent. The recommendation that there should be one cadre of civil judges and magistrates is calculated to make the subordinate judiciary more efficient by reason of an all-round training in law though we fail to see what advantage is to be gained by providing that they should work for some years as civil judges, and some years as magistrates by turns, but not simultaneously. The reform suggested by the Lokur Committee is a wholesome one indeed, and the Government should lose no time in implementing its proposals.

GAMBLE WITH NATION'S DESTINY

PHIBUL SONGKHRAM OF SIAM OUT TO CURE OR KILL!

(REUTER'S STAFF CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGKOK, (Siam): Field Marshal Phibul Songkhram, Siam's "strong man", has taken the plunge in the biggest gamble of his stormy career, at stake is the fate of Siam—and his own political future.

This 50-year-old wartime leader of Siam, who staged a swift comeback to power last April, described his role as that of a new doctor trying to cure a desperately sick person.

"The sick man either gets better—or dies", he added.

The question which is worrying the Siamese people is: How will Sick Man Siam fare under the treatment of Dr. Songkhram?

Sick Man Siam's illness is chronic.

The disease is political, economic and moral, and the inevitable result of the wartime alliance with Japan and the demoralisation and chaos which followed it.

Political instability, with frequent and at times, unconstitutional changes, has been Siam's lot since the end of the war.

Party politics, based on personal loyalties and often purely selfish interests, held sway in the new found democratic order in this country.

Songkhram is pledged to restore political stability.

How he will carry out this pledge without infringing democratic privileges and at the same time keep the Army out of the nation's politics, remains to be seen.

Much of Songkhram's political success will depend upon his ability to enlist the co-operation of his rivals headed by ex-Premier Khuang Abhaiwengse and to pacify the wartime "Free Siamese" resistance group, which is reported to be organising strong opposition against the new Government of "war criminals".

Economically, Siam is a rich country which abounds in natural resources. But Siamese economy has been in a state of chaos throughout the 3 years since the end of the war.

Siam managed to get out of the war almost unscathed considering that she was a defeated nation. Her sovereignty and independence were left intact, and the Allied Powers even extended economic assistance to her.

But political instability, official graft and corruption, black market operations and profiteering hampered Siamese economic recovery.

Commodity prices and cost of living soared. The National debt mounted and currency inflation went unchecked.

A new class of millionaires and multi-millionaires rose from the poverty and distress of the common people.

The number of people with an annual income of over Tcs. 100,000 has increased by 150 per cent in the last 3 years.

The number of families without proper housing accommodation and the normal amenities of life has also increased several times.

Siam started drifting towards labour unrest, strikes and class warfare—a potential field for Communist propaganda.

Songkhram is pledged to remedy this situation and to bring about a speedy decrease in the cost of living. He believes that the success or otherwise of political policy in Siam is usually measured by the stomach.

The new Government has ordered cuts in food prices, railway fares and the rates for water and power. It has ordered rastic action against bribery and corruption, profiteering and hoarding

But the nett result of a month of vigorous campaigning is meagre.

The Government is understood to be formulating a long-term programme for the stabilisation of the nation's economy, but it is agreed on all sides that the enforcement of any such plan will be extremely difficult.

Any Siamese Government programme, connected with trade, industry and finance, will be up against powerful foreign interests.

Armed bandity, large scale smuggling operations, general insecurity and the lack of transport and communication facilities also hamper the economic reconstruction of Siam.

Soldiers, police and even high officials are alleged to be behind several big robbery cases.

One Inspecting Commissioner, a Siamese civil servant of the most senior grade, is now on trial here, accused of smuggling thousands of tons of rice to Malaya. The rice was sent to him for distribution among the people of the Southern provinces.

MUSLIM "REVOLT"

In addition to these and allied problems, Field Marshal Songkhram has to deal with the Muslim "revolt" in the districts near the Malayan frontier and the worsening relations between ultra-nationalist elements and the large and powerful Chinese community in the country. Already, the Chinese Government has lodged a formal protest against the closure of Chinese schools by the Siamese Ministry of Education.

Siam's relations with the major world Powers may also cause his government many a headache.

When the Field Marshal became Prime Minister of Siam in April, it was thought that foreign relations, rather than domestic problems, would decide the fate of his government.

Singkhram, who hitched Siam to the Japanese war charriot and declared war on Britain and the United States, was naturally looked upon with disfavour by the Allied Powers. Moreover, Songkhram has a reputation for having a preference for dictatorships.

The recognition of the new Government by the major Powers was, therefore, slow in coming. It followed a series of assurances by the Field Marshal that his government would scrupulously respect all treaties and agreements with foreign powers entered into by its predecessors.

He also stated publicly that, in joining Japan in the war, he was merely a victim of circumstances.

In the month or so since he came to power, however, Prime Minister Phibul Songkhram seems to have improved his relations with representatives of the world powers here.

Britain, the United States and other powers have recognised the Songkhram Government and the U.S. Government, which earlier threatened the withdrawal of economic assistance promised to Siam, now seems to have changed its attitude. A large American loan to finance Siamese rehabilitation projects is reported to be imminent.

But Field Marshal Songkhram's pro-

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"Warmongers" Pulled Up

Behold, Might Of Soviet Airforce

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter): Russia today answered the American superfortresses' flight to Britain by declaring that it continued "persistently to strengthen" its armed forces and air force and calling on "warmongers" to look to Moscow where big air parades are planned for today's Soviet Aviation Day celebration.

Moscow Radio broadcast articles and accounts of aviation day ceremonies against a background of careful planning of aerial events for today. Jet plane displays, an "aerial battle" and mass parachute jumps have been planned.

In "an order of the day", broadcast by Moscow Radio, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Minister of Armed Forces, declared "I wish to all personnel new success in the development of our air force".

"STRONG SOVIET AIR FORCE"

Berliners, enthusiastic about the flights of the American superforts, were told by the "Taegliche Rundscau" today not to forget that during the last three years of the war, the Soviet Union produced 40,000 aircraft a year. In an article headlined "The Strong Soviet Air Force," the paper, quoted by Reuter's Berlin correspondent said, "warmongers and all too bellicose generals" should turn their attention to today's parades in Moscow where the newest types of Soviet aircraft "would not even be shown".

Certain German newspapers try to overestimate the work done by the British and American air forces during the war", the "Taegliche Rundschau" alleged.

"These papers think that by bombing peaceful German towns and leaving Krupps' and Siemen's factories intact, these two air forces had contributed decisively to final victory.

"They even seem to reproach the Soviet Union for not having dropped bombs on women and children.

"The Soviet Air Force was strong enough to have bombed German cities as much as the Americans and British. The point is that the Soviet air force was used only where fighting was going on and for these flights more courage, daring and skill were needed than for the nightly dropping of bombs on a peaceful population"

Nearly all Soviet-licensed Berlin newspapers published long articles on the strength of the Soviet Air Force.

The "Taegliche Rundschau" also told the Germans that Soviet pilots today held no fewer than 62 internationally recognised air records.

"Pravda" quoted by Moscow Radio, declared: "The British and American air forces did not encounter any tangible resistance (in the war) because the nucleus mass of the German Air Forces was concentrated on the Soviet German front, where it was mechanically and ruthlessly annihilated by our pilots.

NEW WAR INSTIGATORS

"The Soviet people are keeping a sharp look out for the machinations of new war instigators and continues persistently to strengthen its armed forces, its air force among them—the faithful guardian of our homeland's State interests".

Russian service chiefs were among 20,000 people who yesterday attended a meeting in Moscow of the Moscow Soviet, the Moscow City Committee of the Communist party and the command of the Soviet Air Force on the occasion of Aviation Day, according to "Tass", official Soviet News Agency.

They included Marshal of the Soviet Union Govorov Veretakov, Air Marshal Vershinin and Admiral Yumashev.

Air Marshal Verchinin, who is C.-in-C. of the Soviet Air Force, claimed in a report that Russia destroyed 50,000 German aircraft between June 1941 and August 1944, and that at the final battle at Berlin 8,400 Soviet aircraft were in action. The front line air force alone made over 3,000,000 operational flights, he said.

Soviet aircraft also made a great contribution to the defeat of Japan, he declared.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Expanding Air Force

The programme of expanding the Royal Indian Air Force by the addition of several jet squadrons and bomber squadrons cannot be said to be overambitious. The defence responsibilities of India are heavy and war experience has proved that there is most efficiency and economy in the air force We cannot afford to stint money on it. The problem is doubtless more one of personnel than of finance. But the last war has shown that every province in India can send a good quota of men of the right type. What is most necessary now is the provision of first class training facilities.. There is not the slightest doubt that a sufficient number of young men will offer themselves for the training in every section of the Force.

Women In The Services

The Government of India may be congratulated on its decision to make women eligible for any public service in India including the Administrative and the Police services. It is true that an average woman may not be quite fit for a service like the Police. But there may be, and there are, many women who are above the average and fit for any public service That is why Government has now decided not to exclude women from any public service merely on the ground ofsex. To enable women to avail themselves of the opportunities thus provided the time limit for submission of applications by women candidates for appointment to certain services under the Emergency Recruitment scheme has been extended to August 1, and we trust a large number of qualified women will avail themselves of their new opportunities. Their recruitment may be slow at first in certain communities but progress is bound to be satisfactory in the near future. The example of the pioneers will not be long in being followed by many others.

What Radio Can Be

In his message on the occasion of inaugurating the Nagpur station of the All-India Radio Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel justly described the radio as an important unifying factor. It is also a potent educative factor if it is rightly managed by the radio authorities and if the masses are enabled to have access to it. But both these conditions are poorly satisfied in India. Many items in the daily programmes are quite indifferent and seem calculated only to enable the radio users to while away their leisure. And to millions in the villages and smaller towns the radio is not so much as known. Sardar Patel will, we hope so improve the All-India Radio as to make it both a unifying and an educative factor.

Language Problem Again

The language problem has again cropped up in the Constituent Assembly. Many of its members have asked for translations of the English Draft Constitution of India into "all the Indian languages". This is a colossal task and would be a most embarrassing precedent, however, when people from different provinces meet for an All-India purpose at an All-India conference common sense as well as the common practice in the Congress these many years requires only the use of Hindustani, recognised as the national language by the Congress, or English, the language of the Central Legislature for years past. Again, the Constituent Assembly rules of procedure, as they stand at present require that official records of the proceedings of the Assembly shall be kept only in Hindustani and English. The Assembly, therefore, has rightly decided to translate the English draft of the new Constitution into Hindustani only. It is to be hoped that the procedure so far followed by the Assembly will not be disturbed with regard to the Draft Constitution.

Meaningless Confidence

Without any intention of warmongering, it is necessary to be extremely careful in accepting the assurance of Berlin's Soviet newspaper, "Taegliche Rundschau", that there will not be another world war. Most great wars have been preceded by exactly this same feeling of confidence and the problem has been how to convince the Big Powers statesmen that, if they play around with fire, they should not be surprised at ensuing holocausts. The Russians seem to be building up peace by loudly proclaiming the strength of their forces and the devastating potentialities of their armaments. If war does not come, the present measuring of Big Power muscles is not conducive to satisfactory peace. Instead of seeking consolation in the feeling that immediate war is not likely, it is very necessary that the Big Powers should apply themselves to laying the foundation of a permanent and stable peace. The reports that both the U.S.A. and the USSR have started moving super fortresses into Europe, have practically cancelled the effect of the "Taegliche's" words of comfort.

Wisdom Dawns

King Abdullah of Transjordan has obviously been badly shaken by the dilatory and muddled manoeuvres of the U.N. Security Council. He talks at one stage of awaiting the decision of the Arab League before deciding himself on the Palestine truce; at the other he asserts that if there is war again, the Arabs would not help the Allies; finally he maintains that third World War might well start if Arab rights are neglected. All this means in brief that the Arabs are disgusted, desperate and determined. The Arabs are not the only Eastern people to be disillusioned by the political machinations of the West but they will probably be the first among us to suffer from it and keep on suffering. U. N. Mediator Count Bernadotte has asserted categorically that the British are not backing the Arabs any more. On this there was little doubt in Arab minds They have realised all along that any support they might have got from Britain was accidental and arising out of British needs rather than British sympathy. The Arabs cannot do better than turn to the East for the support they badly need and build up a front with Asia against Western aggression and ambitions. It is no use relying on a negative attitude when only the capacity to unite with others can bring salvation.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

LONDON, July 17 (UPA).—A four-power conference of all of Germany was probably the only alternative to a dangerous showdown with the Russians which no one wants over Berlin. There will be a lot of give and take before that stage is reached. And this approach does not fit in with the arrival here of the 60 Superfortresses which supports the showdown theory. But reliable sources close to the negotiations insist that the Western Powers are not considering a showdown

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Southern Democrats of Alabama asserting that Black is Black and White is White have asked all Democrats and loyal Americans to unite with them in "ignominiously defeating Harry S Truman and Thomas E. Dewey."

We knew that the Alabama Whites could never fight clean but we did not suspect that they would admit it publicly.

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The "Daily Telegraph" Karachi correspondent observes, "It is difficult to resist the conclusion that Russia is the real power behind the scenes" in encouraging....the struggle for a Pathanistan "though official propaganda in Pakistan assumes the power to be Indian."

Why resist it, brother? Or does "official propaganda in Pakistan" embrace the work of Karachi correspondents of British newspapers?

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After pointing out that the Russians have imitated the British system of political agents in northern Afghanistan, the "D T" correspondent remarks that all the Russian members of the Legation at Kabul can speak to tribesmen in their own dialect, Pushtu.

Since the political agent technique is sanctified to the "D T" correspondent by British practice, obviously what is objectionable in the Russians at Kabul is their talking the dialect of the tribesmen. This is one of those things that CANNOT BE TOLERATED. The question is, Should Britain complain to Pakistan or Pakistan complain to Britain?

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The Hyderabad State, runs a State release of the letters that passed between Hyderabad and the Union Government, "proposes to seek the impartial judgment of arbitrators."

This is a new one on us. We have heard of the judgment of impartial arbitrators; we have even heard of partiality in judgments. But the impartial judgment of arbitrators has a suspicious sound about it and suspicions grow when one sees that the release of letters has been made in Pakistan of all places.

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Further indication of what will be held "impartial" "Hyderabad maintains that there is no excuse for India's non-performance of obligations under the Agreement."

The arbitrators will now be selected from among those who can impartially support this Hyderabadi stand—as in Palestine and in Kashmir.

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ONLY "SAFETY FIRST" CAN SAVE THE SUBURBAN TRAVELLER.
—Headline.

Doesn't it depend on which way he wishes to go?

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The hostile attitude of the Provincial Governments to the Socialist Party's programme of giving organised aid to the freedom fighters of Hyderabad", says Aruna Asaf Ali, "has prevented the latter from declaring free large sectors of State territory."

Sister, we entirely and unreservedly agree. Now that the point has been made and sharpened, let all Provincial Governments help the Socialists to help the Hyderabad freedom fighters to "declare" large areas free in Hyderabad. Then the Centre can be denounced for not assisting the Socialists to implement the declaration.

Teaching The Teacher

MELBOURNE, (Reuter): Twenty young "new Australians" now attending a State School in Melbourne are teaching their teachers almost as much as they learn from them.

They have helped the headmaster to improve his French accent, learn the rudiments of German and Spanish and modernise his knowledge of ancient Greece. In return, he has given them patience and understanding in their efforts to learn the English way of life and forget the horrors of German concentration camps.

According to the headmaster, the children—ten Greek, eight Germans and two French—learn easily. One German girl of nine, who knew no English on her arrival at the beginning of a year, topped her class at the end.

the open air.....

Consternation reigned in my drawingroom for a few minutes yesterday evening. The lights had just been turned on when in from the garden flew a large Borer Beetle with enormously long jointed feelers. It swooped round the room on noisy wings, trying to investigate the light and invariably dropping to the ground with a loud thud each time it tried to sit on the bulb. When it pitched for a moment we were able to see the tiny flecks of red on its brown leathery wing cases. Once the cat tried to see whether the beetle was edible but the insect turned on her with vicious jaws agape and made such spirited attacks on her to the accompaniment of angry hissing noises that she retired discomfited.

Only when we turned out the light did our rather disturbing visitor return to the delights of the garden where he and his kind do so much damage to trees plants.

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IMPROVED COMMERCIAL LINK WITH INDIA

U. S. Foreign Trade Council's Ten-Point Plan

NEW YORK, July 18 (Reuter)—A ten-point long range programme to improve commercial relations between the United States and India and Pakistan was contained in a report issued here tonight by the National Foreign Trade Council.

The report, based on the first of a series of analysis of Indo-American and Pakistan-American commercial relations to be undertaken by the Council's "Committee for India and Pakistan", recommended:

FIRSTLY—The United States should give greater recognition to the importance of co-operation with the peoples of the East, within the limitations imposed by American foreign policy and by the dictates of normal commercial prudence

SECONDLY:—The United States should negotiate modern treaties of friendship, commerce and navigation with India and Pakistan and provide reciprocal protection against discrimination for its nationals in business operations within India and Pakistan and in trade with these countries

THIRDLY:—Relaxation of controls on business activity in India and Pakistan is desirable as an incentive to greater foreign investments. Greater encouragement should be given to private industry, and internal regulation of commerce and industry regulation not include measures which hamper or discourage productive investment from abroad.

TAX STRUCTURES

FOURTHLY:—A treaty to eliminate double taxation should be negotiated shortly by the United States with India and Pakistan to assure equitable tax treatment for foreign equitments to the flow of capital.

FIFTHLY:—Tax structures in India and Pakistand should be simplified & tax burdens lowered where practicable, promoting economic development, stimulating trade and creating investment.

SIXTHLY:—Hitherto undeveloped potentialities of the Indian peninsula as a tourist centre should be studied, looking towards the increasing of foreign exchange resources in both India and Pakistan.

SEVENTHLY:—Further reductions of imperial trade preferences and trade barriers of both India and Pakistan should be made progressively.

EIGHTHLY:—A definition, valid for an extended period, of the scope of further nationalisation laws and programmes should be made to clarify the area of business activities that will remain open to private enterprise.

NINTHLY:—Business interests in the United States, India and Pakistan, through more active sales efforts, should attempt to stimulate greater consumption of Indian and Pakistan goods in America.

TENTHLY:—The study and interest of the peoples of India, Pakistan and the United States in each others cultural and economic programmes and progress should provide a firm basis for permanently improved commercial relations and a meeting ground for mutual understanding.

INTEREST IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Committee believes that the United States "by reason of its vast productive machine, its large accumulation of capital, and its modern industrial techniques can play a significant part in the economic development of India and Pakistan."

At the same time it warns the Dominions—"Evidence of failure by the Governments to benefit from the complementary character of their two economies will constitute a deterrent to foreign investment and will be viewed unfavourably by those who believe maximum economic advance can only be made if the limitations imposed by political and religious friction and differences are eliminated."

"This Committee believes that foreign interest in Indian and Pakistan economic development will be increased if evidence is conclusive that the planners of both countries will attempt to develop integrated and balanced economies. Americans will show increasing interest in the development of these two countries as such conditions are assured."

INDO-PAKISTAN RELATIONS

Declaring that "continuing co-operation" between the Governments of India and Pakistan "is an economic necessity" the report states, "it is clear from the disparity of resources that policies that do not take into consideration the complementary character of most of their natural resources, but that emphasise political factors, can have disastrous effects for the development and well-being of both countries. In the field of communications, for example, permanent arrangements must be made for satisfactory telephonic and telegraphic services and railroad operations across Indian territory to connect western and eastern Pakistan"

PARIS, July 18 (Reuter).—Only 20 deputies attended the French National Assembly's Sunday session today, called to speed up parliamentary business and secure the passage of all outstanding legislation by the summer recess on August 8.

America Ready To Smash Up Berlin Blockade

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over the Soviet blockade, it was reliably learned today.

Under normal conditions they would increase the flow of supplies into the German capital by 2,100 tons daily, as each of the Skymasters is expected to carry a ten-ton load three times in every 24 hours. The Americans are already using about 60 Skymasters in the "bridge".

More of the 60 super fortresses coming to Britain for "training flights" arrived today at the three airfields which will be their headquarters in East Anglia. By dusk all the aircraft were expected to have touched down.

FAVOURABLE WEATHER

Best flying weather for a fortnight today favoured the air lift into Berlin, and the British "met" office at Gatow airport forecast the next 24 hours would see a bigger than ever flow of supplies.

Royal Air Force authorities here described as "entirely fictitious" a report in the Soviet-licensed newspaper "National Zeitung" today that former Luftwaffe pilots were being used by the R.A.F. in the "bridge".

REPORTED ORDER BY TEDDER.

The paper alleged that the Germans, members of a so-called secret "Baltic Legion" were ordered to take part by Lord Tedder, Britain's Air Chief who arrived in Berlin last Thursday.

"It was felt that due to constant bad weather only pilots with a good knowledge of the local topography could be used on the Berlin run", the paper added.

The British authorities replied: "On no occasion have German nationals been employed by the R. A. F. on operational duties, nor are they likely to be in the near future".

The official Soviet newspaper "Taegliche Rundschau" said today "all difficulties can be removed" if the Allies agreed to Soviet proposals for Germany, adding "the propaganda of the splitters that Russia cannot gaurantee the whole of Berlin's supplies is mendacious".

RAILWAY TRACK REMOVED.

The American-controlled Berlin Radio reported late last night that railway workers had removed nearly ten miles of track from the Berlin-Helmstedt Railway, the vital east-kest line whose closure by the Russians completed the blockade of Berlin.

Leading Soviet zone railway officials said last week the sleepers were rotting and that repairs would be completed as soon as possible.

BRITISH OFFICER ARRESTED

BERLIN, July 18, (Reuter): Mr. John James Sims, British Occupation Officer arrested by the Russians as a "spy" last Wednesday today described how he was kept in solitary confinment for three days in a "filthy stinking cell."

He charged the Soviet authorities with "showing their absolute contempt for British authority in Germany." He was arrested without warning while investigating the hold-up of British-controlled barges near Wittenberge he said.

According to a diary he kept of his experiments he was made to lie on stinking straw in an army lorry guarded by four Russians tommy gunners and taken to Berlin where he was put in a cell furnished with three wooden boards as a bed, and the food was "inedible"

When interrogated he was told it was "all a mistke" but was not released until two days later.

SOVIET AVIATION DAY PARADE POSTPONED

MOSCOW, July 18. (Reuter): The mammoth air parade, planned to take place here today to celebrate Soviet aviation day, was cancelled owing to rain and low clouds to be held later.

INDONESIAN DISPUTE

Non-Republican Leaders Draw Up Plan For Settlement

BATAVIA, July 18, (Reuter): A plan drawn up by non-Republican leaders at Bandoeng to settle the Indonesian dispute will be handed to the Indonesian Republican Government tomorrow and to Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, Dutch Lieutenant-Governor.

The plan, in the form of a resolution passed at a meeting of non-Republicans, outlines Government institutions and Parliament in the proposed United States of Indonesia.

After drawing up their suggestions to end the Dutch-Republican deadlock, the non-Republicans themselves were divided as to whether they should send their ideas direct to the United Nations Good Offices Committee. Some leaders did not want to by-pass the Committee's Dutch-Republican Conference now meeting at Kaliurang near Jogjakarta, the Republican capital.

BRITAIN IN A FIX

Whether To Buy U. S. Planes Or To Wait Till Her Own Machines Are Ready

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—Britain, now building air liners that will be the best and fastest in the world, may be forced to buy planes abroad to maintain the passenger market. She has started to produce ten-engined turbine powered 80 seater flying boats, De Havillands are developing an all-jet five hundred miles an hour airliner that will fly the Atlantic in an afternoon while the Giant Brabazon 100-seater will shortly undergo tests.

Britain now is faced with a double problem: whether to buy American planes to present a bold front to international competitors or to wait till her own machines are ready.

Buying abroad, it is argued, would hurt the British aircraft industry which in wartime turns out fighters and bombers for the Royal Air Force and would harm export trade by giving rise to the argument that how could Britain expect to sell planes abroad if she does not think them good enough to operate herself.

Main plank for the buy-abroad protagonists is that the Nations Airways, which had a £10,000,000 loss last year, will face ruin if they do not modernise their fleet and capture new business.

Czech Police Unearth 'U. S. Sponsored' Murder Plan

PRAGUE, July 17 (Reuter): Czechoslovak police claimed today to have smashed one "American-sponsored" terrorist organisation which planned espionage and the assassination of leaders of the new regime here.

They have arrested 76 civilians and 3 soldiers, and "the whole net of the terrorists, accessories and helpers have been uncovered and liquidated by their interrogation and confessions" an official statement declared.

Their plans included the assassination of General Svoboda, non-party Minister of Defence, during the recent Sokol (athletics) festival in Prague.

The statement named one of the arrested, Milan Choc, as the murderer of Major Augustin Sram, a former Partisan leader shot dead in his Prague flat last May.

5 MILLION DOLLAR NOTES FOR CHINA

SHANGHAI, July 18 (Reuter).—Chinese banknotes of 5,000,000 dollar denomination will be put into circulation tomorrow by the Chinese Central Bank, Mr. O. K. Yui, Governor of the Bank, announced here today.

Highest denomination banknotes at present is for 100,000 dollars. Observers here fear this new step will cause another big inflation spiral.

A few weeks ago the Chinese financial market slumped and forced the country's dollar down to 6,200,000 to one United States dollar.

FRENCH TOLL IN VIET NAM FIGHT

SHANGHAI, July 18 (UPI): The French Army lost over 53,000 killed and 45,000 wounded in Viet Nam since the beginning of the French aggression and upto June 1948. The Viet Nam Army routed the forces of 7 French Generals and 2 Admirals, says an announcement of the Viet Nam information Service here.

Eighty-five per cent of the Viet Nam forces are stated to be now equipped with arms captured from the enemy.

SADANAND FOR BOMBAY

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—Mr. S. Sadanand, Editor of the Bombay "Free Press Journal" arrived in London today by air from New York.

After a five hour stay, he resumed his journey to Bombay, where he is to attend a conference of Indian Editors.

Mr. Sadanand recently attended the National Sokol festival of Czechoslovakia at Prague as delegate of the Government of India.

DISTURBANCE IN SIENA

Police Rush To Scene: Communications Cut

FLORENCE, July 18, (Reuter): One hundred and fifty armed police and five armoured cars rushed 50 miles to Siena today following reports of disturbances when a granade was thrown during the funeral of a victim of last weeks general strike.

Communications with Siena were cut by order of the Ministry of the Interior

SHOTS ON PROCESSION.

According to an account received in Rome, however, two revolver shots were fired from Headfuarters of the Landworkers Trade Union at the funeral procession of two policemen who were killed at Abbia San Salvatore 50 miles south of Siena.

Police entered the building and met with resistance One policeman was wounded.

The funeral at Siena was for police Sergent Virgilio Ranieri, who was captured by rioters at Abbia San Solvatore and whose dead and mutilated body was found later and for another policeman Giovan Batista Corbone, who was killed there.

It was confirmed in Rome tonight that police reinforcements were sent to Siena after this morning's incident at the funeral and increase of the general tenion in the area.

Flying Boat Disaster

24 Passengers And 3 Crew Reported Aboard

HONGKONG, July 18 (Reuter).—Three unidentified bodies were found today in the sea east of the Portuguese Colony of Macao, China, where a Catalina Flying Boat crashed with 27 people aboard on Friday, it was announced here.

The flying boat, owned by Cathay Pacific Airways, was flying from Hongkong to Macao 40 miles away, with 24 passengers and three crew when it crashed

In a day-long search yesterday the body of Mr. H. G. Stewart, Assistant District Manager in Hongkong of the Texas Oil Company was found.

The only survivor so far discovered is a Chinese, in hospital in critical condition. Salvage operations are due to start tomorrow and an inquiry is to be held.

Rumours that 20 unidentified bodies had been found were not confirmed.

GURKHAS CLASH WITH TERRORISTS

British Military Officer Killed In Malaya

SINGAPORE, July 18, (Reuter): Malaya terrorists today killed a British officer of a Gurkha regiment in a clash at Bidor, 40 miles south of Ipoh.

The Gurkhas killed one terrorist and sent the rest fleeing they surprised a group of between 20 and 30 men.

The officer killed was the first British casualty in operations against the terrorists and the second army casualty, after the killing of a Gurkha lance corporal at Kajang, Selangor, yesterday.

In a nine hour sweep at Kajang today Gurkhas recovered the body of the Lance Corporal and captured two suspects carrying important documents, but they made no contact with terrorists. Near Kampa, 20 miles from Bidor, police yesterday killed two terrorists, wounded four and captured seven in a dawn raid on a group of about 30.

SINGAPORE PRECAUTIONS

Fifty-five persons have been killed and 12 wounded by terrorists since July 1, the "Straits Times" estimated today.

In addition, an Australian planter, Mr. John R. Rutty, of the Kuantan District, is still missing after an ambush a fortnight ago.

In Singapore, police were today throwing "aprons" of barbed wire around all police stations as a precaution against attacks.

It was feared that terrorism might spread to Singapore any time.

MANDAL TO JOIN E. BENGAL CABINET?

DACCA, July 18. (U. P. I.): Mr. J. N. Mandal, Law and Labour Minister, Central Pakistan Government, is likely to leave the Central Cabinet shortly and join the East Bengal Cabinet as a Scheduled Caste Minister, according to information gathered locally.

Stop Press

NAWAB ZAIN YAR JUNG ARRIVES IN HYDERABAD

HYDERABAD (Dn.), July 18 (API). —Nawab Zain Yar Jung, Nizam's Agent-General in New Delhi arrived in Hyderabad by air today. He will remain in Hyderabad for two or three days.

BELGIAN CARGO SHIP SINKS IN ENGLISH CHANNEL

FALMOUTH, July 18 (Reuter).—The 1,444-ton Belgian cargo ship "Marie" sank in the English Channel today after a collision with the 2,905-ton Indian - owned, British - registered "Bharatkhand." The collision, which took place off Ushant, west of the coast of Brittany, was believed to have been in fog. There have been no reports of any casualties in either ship.

ARABS ACCEPT TRUCE: BUT JEWS REFUSE "CEASE FIRE"

CAIRO, July 18 (UPA).—Well-informed Arab sources said today that fighting had broken out again in Jerusalem after an alleged Jewish violation of the truce.

AIR RAID ALERT IN HAIFA

HAIFA, July 18 (UPA).—A ninety-minute air raid alert marked the first two hours of the truce here. The truce was supposed to have started at 19-00 local time.

Other reports said fighting was continuing in various parts of north Palestine.

JEWISH TERM FOR "CEASE FIRE"

TEL AVIV, July 18 (UPA).—A spokesman of the Israel Foreign Office told the press today that the Israel Government will not issue a cease fire order until it was advised by United Nations mediator Count Folke Bernadotte that he had been told by all the Arab States had ordered their armies to stop fighting at the specified hour.

Israeli bombers attacked Syrian forces at Mishmar Hayarden in eastern Galilee and at Tulkarm.

Tel Aviv had many alerts during the night. In the early afternoon yesterday two Egyptian Dakotas and two Spitfires attacked residential quarters and hit an old-age home, a synagogue, a clinic and an health centre.

ARAB LEAGUE ACCEPTS TRUCE PROPOSAL

AMMAN, July 18, (U.P.A.): It was officially announced today that the Arab League's Political Committee has acepted the United Nations truce proposal with some reservations

Arab sources emphasised that in accepting the cease fire, the Arab League refused to admit the existence of a Jewish State in Palestine

They said the Arab Governments had agreed to the truce "in spite of press and public opposition because they could not ignore the will of the Big Powers."

EGYPT ACCEPTS TRUCE

LONDON, July 18 (Reuter).—Egypt's acceptance of the Palestine Truce, ordered by the Security Council for 3 p.m. (G.M.T.), was received today at Rhodes, Headquarters of United Nations Mediator Count Folke Bernadotte, in a cable from the Egyptian Prime Minister, Nokrashy Pasha.

The Jews have already announced their acceptance.

Count Bernadotte declared in Amsterdam today that if the Arabs refused to accept "sanctions will have to be imposed on them." The Count, who is on his way from New York to his headquarters at Rhodes, said the truce had no time limit. It must continue until agreement was reached on a final settlement

GLUBBPASHA

Arab Legion Headquarters today denied rumours that Brigadier John Glubbpasha, British Commander of the Legion, had resigned or had been dismissed.

He was today inspecting legion units.

The rumour which began and spread rapidly after anti-British demonstrations in Amman and parts of Palestine, was published as fact in an Syrian newspaper

Ramallah, the Arab Radio in Palestine, today admitted the fall of Nazareth to the Jewish forces.

The Radio said that Arab fighting forces withdrew and religious leaders arranged for the surrender to spare the historic town from battle damage

Monasteries and Churches were searched by the Jews who were imprisoning all men of military age left in the town, it was added.

The Jewish radio in Jerusalem asserted that the Arabs opened fire with machine guns and artilery in the old city early this morning—24 hours after the start of the truce in Jerusalem agreed by both sides.

According to the Cairo Newspaper Alahram Arab agreement to a cease fire throughout Palestine would not change their refusal to accept the establishment of a Jewish State.

"Economic sanction against the Arab States will be met by economic sanctions" the paper added The introduction of military sactions would "lead to a world war

BOMBER OVER CAIRO

For the first time since 1943 Cairo residents last night heard the citys anti-aircraft defences put up a barrage for nearly an hour when t plane tried to raid the Egyptian capital in bright moonlight.

It was driven of without dropping any bombs.

TRANSJORDAN'S ACCEPTANCE

RHODES, July 18, (Reuter). Transjordan's acceptance of the Palestine truce was confined tonight in a cable to the Mediator's headquarters here Iraqi's acceptance was still awaited.

DISREGARD FOR GOVT. RULES

Allegation Against Khurho

KARACHI, July 17, (A.P.I.): The examination-in-chief of M. Booth Chief Secretary, Sind Government, concluded today at the resumed sitting of the Sind Special Court of inquiry which is investigating into 62 charges of alleged maladministration and gross misconduct against Mr. M. A. Khurho ex-Premier of Sind.

The Special Counsel for the Sind Government Mr. Paramanand Kundanmal today examined Mr. Booth on Mr. Khurho's alleged disregard of the Sind Government's rules of business. Mr. Booth stated that Mr. Khurho in a note proposed the transfer of certain superintendents of police. Those proposals were neither examined by the Services Department nor placed before the Sind Cabinet.

Question: What are the rules for such postings;

Answer: The rules require that the postings of Deputy Superintendents of Police should be submitted to the Governor.

Examined regarding Mr. Khurho's alleged interference with the functions of the Public Transport Authority in Sind the Special Counsel asked Mr. Booth whether the Cabinet had decided about the setting up of a tribunal for hearings appeals against the Public Transport Authority.

Answer: "Yes. Mr. Khurho in a note on January 17 1948 stated: 'there is no need for any Tribunal. Government can decide all appeals against the Public Transport Authority. I will adopt that course.'

SITE FOR TELEPHONE FACTORY SELECTED

Foreign Experts To Help Construction

BANGALORE, July 18, (API): Provisional selection has been made of the new state owned automatic telephone factory. It will be located in Mysore State according to present plans Mr. R. Natarajan, who is appointed General Manager of the factory to be known as the Indian Telephone Industries accompanied by the Dewan, Sir Arcot Ramaswami Mudaliar and other officials of the Mysore Government inspected the likely site.

It is understood a 699-acre plot in Krishna-Rajapuram has been provisionally chosen. The place is six miles due east of Bangalore and is located on the railway line from Bangalore to Madras. The plot will be acquired by the Government of Mysore for the Company.

It is at present proposed to get four hangars from Madras and erect them on the site within a month or two. By November it is anticipated that all preliminary work will be completed and assembling of telephone apparatus will begin from imported parts.

A pucca building for the factory will take about 18 months to be completed. Ten technical exports will be drafted from abroad on short term contracts and they will be seconded by Indians who will take over from them on the expiry of their contract.

CLAIMS OF 4 TOWNS TO BE SAURASHTRA'S CAPITAL

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, July 17.

Mr. Patel and Mr. Wadia, members of the Experts Committee appointed for selection of the capital of Saurashtra stated in an interview: "We examine this question from a long-range point of view. We have received four claims upto now for the capital, viz., Rajkot, Jamnagar, Junagadh, and Bhavnagar. The majority of opinions favours Rajkot as capital.

SOCIALIST UNIT FOR VINDHYA PRADESH?

LUCKNOW, July 17 (API): Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, Chairman of the States' Sub-Committee of the Socialist Party, has directed Mr. Jagdish Chandra, a Socialist leader, to form a provincial unit of the Socialist Party in the newly formed Vindhya Pradesh.

A Socialist Party Conference will be held in Rewa on August 15.

"DETRIMENTAL TO DEMOCRACY"

U. P. Congress Leaders' Election Speeches

LUCKNOW, July 17 (API) Mr Jai Prakash Narain, the Socialist leader, in a letter to Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, drew his attention to election speeches of various top-ranking Congress leaders during the last U.P. Legislative Assembly bye-elections.

Quoting extracts from some of the speeches, Mr. Jaiprakash Narain said, they were not only objectionable but some of them were communal in character and characterised them as detrimental to the interests of democracy.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad has forwarded the letter to Babu Purshottamdas Tandon, President of the U.P.C.C. for enquiry.

ENFORCE TERMS OF INTER-DOMINION CONFERENCE

Assam Govt.'s Instructions To Subordinates

GAUHATI, July 18. (U. P. I.): The Government of Assam has issued instructions to all district officers on matters discussed in the Inter-Dominion Conference held in April, 1948, in Calcutta for bringing them to the notice of their subordinates and local bodies where necessary, says a Press Communique issued by the Government of Assam.

The Communique adds: "The Conference recommended that propaganda for the amalgamation of Pakistan and India should be discouraged. It further recommended that severe action should be taken against any person creating apprehensions, fear, etc. in the minds of the minorities and that all tendencies towards an economic boycott of minorities or strengulation of their normal life should be curbed.

The minorities in Assam have not been discriminated against and the recommendations must have reference

KISANS GIVE UP HUNGER-STRIKE

SHILLONG, July 18, (U.P.I.): Mr. Rohini Kumar Choudhury has been re-elected President of the Khasi and Jaintia Hills district Congress Committee.

SOVIET AIR FORCE DEVELOPMENT

200 Jet Planes Produced Per Month: First Line Planes Total 14,000

LONDON, July 18 (UPI) —Russia will probably turn out 1000 copies of the American B-29 Bomber this year, while her jet planes are rolling off the lines at the rate of 200 per month, according to the World Aviation Annual, a compendium of aeronautical information just published here.

Russia's aircraft industry is stated to be concentrated in European Russia and not behind Urals in Siberia. Air transport in Russia has greatly developed, and highly militarised civil airlines serve every sizeable Russian City.

Red Air Force has 4,00,000 men, 14,000 first-line planes, several hundreds of Jets and probably 100 B-29 copies. Russia has imported aircraft engines and parts worth one and half million dollars from America and Britain in 1947.

Br. Govt. Can't Be Sued In Burmese Court

RANGOON, July 18, (Reuter): A justice of the High Court ruled here yesterday that the British Government cannot be sued in a Burmese court.

The case arose over a suit filed by a Burmese for compensation for property allegedly destroyed as an act of military necessity when the British evacuated Burma in 1932.

The Burma Government was named as a defendant as well as the British Government.

CALCUTTA, July 18. (U.P.I.): The two-day conference of the Calcutta Branch of the Socialist Party of India concluded today. Mr Hareshwar Goswami, Secretary of the Assam Socialist Party was in the chair. Mr. Jai Prakash Narain addressed the delegates on the organisational side of the Party

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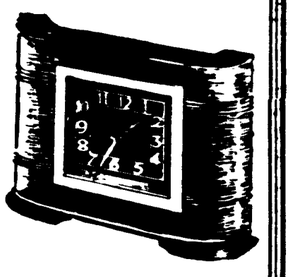

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Adam Ibrahim Shiwani, Gulam Rasul Allabux, Tifakulla Suleman, Shabir Ahmed Tahashildar and Nizamuddin Gulam Rasul were convicted for attempting to transport cloth. Adam Ibrahim Shiwani and Gulam Rasul Allabux were each sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment, Tifakulla Suleman and Shabir Ahmed Tahashildar to three months' rigorous imprisonment each and Nizamuddin Gulam Rasul to two months' rigorous imprisonment.

Jaganji Gulabbhai Desai was convicted for profiteering in bricks and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 10,000 or six months' rigorous imprisonment in default.

SOUTH AFRICA TO BREAK WITH SOVIET UNION?

JOHANNESBURG, July 18 (Reuter) South Africa is expected to break off diplomatic relaions with the Soviet Union shortly, according todey's Johannesburg "Sunday express." ....

It was understood that the question was discussed at a recent Cabinet meeting, particularly in the light of the Nationalist Party's pre-election undertaking that Russia would not be permitted to maintain her consular representatives in South Africa

Nationalist propaganda has stressed that trade between the two countries is almost negligible.

Dr. Lal For London Conference

LUCKNOW, July 17 (API): Dr. K. B. Lal, entomoligst to the U.P. Government, has been nominated by the Government of India as member of the Indian Delegation to the Commonwealth Entomological Conference to be held in London from July 22 to 30.

Dr. Lal will leave Kanpur on July 19 for Delhi 'enroute' to London.

Chinese Crack Troops Yield Ground In Peiping

Communist Offensive In China: Rail Communication disrupted Over North China

NANKING, July 18 (Reuter) Chinese nationalist columns captured two communist strongholds in Mancnuria during the past 24 hours as they continued their southward drive along the Mukden—Yingkow Railway, according to pro-Government despatches today.

These were the only Government successes reported today in messages which told of further setbacks on other fronts.

Even the crack forces of General Fu Tso—Yi North China Commander-in-Chief, which have had an almost unbroken series of successes, were yielding ground in face of heavy onslaughs by General Nie Hun-Cheng's troops south-west and west of Peiping.

Following the loss of Tinghing, 20 miles north of Paoting, General Fu Tso-Yi has ordered the evacuation of civilians from Laishui and Sincheng and the demolition of houses to repel communist attacks.

Further north, communist forces were said to be besieging Fangshan, 35 miles south-west of Peiping, after seizing surrounding villages.

Reports from north Kaingsu said four of General Chen Yi's armies had crossed the railway near Tanshang, 50 miles west of Haichow, from the south-west corner of Shantung. These forces were part of the Communist columns which took part in the recent large scale battle on the Honan plain and which, it was later claimed, were fleeing in disorder towards Shantung. The Nationalist Command has closely watched this force in case it should attempt to threaten Haichow.

In north-west Hupeh beseiging Communist troops broke into the Han River City of Siang-Yang last night, but were ejected by the defenders, semi-official reports said. The Garrison Commander has sent another urgent appeal to General Pai ChungHsi, and air lifted supplies.

Foreign missionary circles here today expressed anxiety for religious workers in teh Tsinan-Pukow Railway City of Yenchow, which recently fell into communist hands. Roman Catholic workers in Yenchow comprised about 80 Chinse Sisters and 40 foreign Sisters, 25 Priests and five Brothers, while the Baptists had three American and three German Missioneries there.

SHANGHAI, July 18, (Reuter): Railway communications throughout North China Province of Hopei were reported to be disrupted, today as three communist armies launched widespread attacks upon railway stations.

The communists were hitting at a 50-mile stretch of railway between Tsengieng, 20 miles north of Paoting, the Provincial Capital, and Shangsien, 20 miles west of Peiping.

They captured several townlets south and south-west of Peiping, including Choukoutien, which won anthropological fame as the site where the "Peking Man" was found.

Pro-Government dispatches have reported that firing has been heard in Peiping.

Villagers Rout Marauders

(Ffrom Our Correspondent

RAJKOT, (By mail): Four hundred gallant resident of Sarpadad in Dhrol State recently compelled armed duffers (roving marauders) to beat a hasty retreat. No whet disconcerted by their misadventurous dash the mounted marauders sent an advance minatory note announcing their determination to retaliate by looting the house of the ex-Vahiwatdar of Sarpadad in full view of their conquerors. Steeling their hearts to valour the villagers took up the challenge and again beat back the blatant hobbers when they returned to the attack on the following night according to schedule. A special police party and a jeep car were despatched to Sarpadad by the Saurashtra Government from Rajkot lest the twice-beaten duffers might raid Rampur as notified in advance is a minatory note to that effect.

GAMBLE WITH NATION'S DESTINY

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blems on the home front and the speed and thoroughness with which he solves them. will make or break his government.

IMPOSSIBLE TASK

Some observers here believe that Songkhram's political opponents will force him out of office if he fails in the almost impossible feat of reducing the high cost of living. These declare that the vote of confidence in the Phibul Songkhram cabinet, passed by the Siamese parliament in April, was not impressive.

On the other hand, many other observers here believe that, with the armed forces behind him, Songkhram is in the saddle of Siamese politics for as long as he cares to stay. These argue that, with Songkhram as head of the government, there is no likelihood of any further military coup in Siam.

The Field Marshal himself is reluctant to discuss prospects. All he will say is that he will do his best to cure Sick Man Siam and will quit if he does not succeed.

After the first flush of excitement which followed the cabinet change in April, however, the general impression among the Siamese people is that Songkhram has come to stay. They believe that, if anybody in the country can do something tangible to retrieve Siam from her present state of political and economic chaos, it is Phibul Songkhram.

They have a blind but abiding faith in Songkhram as Siam's man of destiny.

Field Marshal Phibul Songkhram has gambled with the destiny of his country on many occasions in the past. But never before has he been confronted with so crucial a test.

In 1932, as a young Major in the Army, he took an active part in the bloodless revolution which overthrew Siam's absolute monarchy.

A year later, he led the loyalist Army against a Royalist insurrection and became Minister of Defence and Commander-in-Chief of the Army.

Then, he forced his way to the highest office in the country and remained in power longer than any Siamese Prime Minister before or since.

WHEN THE JAPANESE CAME

In December 1941, Songkhram joined hands with the Japanese invaders of Siam—a gamble which forced him out of office 3 years later. At the end of the war, he was arrested as a war criminal and tried by a Siamese tribunal which eventually acquitted him.

Songkhram then went into retirement.

From his country home, he watched the fast-changing Siamese political scene. He watched his erstwhile colleagues, and some of the newcomers, nibbling at democracy. He watched governments come and go in quick succession.

Then Phibul Songkhram resumed his political gambles.

NEW DELHI, July 17 (API): With a view to enabling war-disabled exservicemen, who have undergone a course of vocational training under the training scheme, to become useful citizens unaffected by their physical disability, and to set up their own independent business as skilled tradesmen and artisans. The Director-General of resettlement and Employment Ministry of Labour, has further sanctioned awards to about 98 persons involving a sum of nearly Rs. 19,000 says a press note.

A Paint and Varnish Production Club has been formed with the object to safeguard the rights and privileges of the workers in the paint trade as chemists, tngineers, salesmen, merchants, etc. as well as the general welfare of the industry. All those interested should contact the Hony. Secretary, Indian Paint and Varnish Production Club, Delhi.

INDIAN TRICOLOUR FOR OLYMPIAD

Mr. Nariman Saugar, official of the Indian Olympic team receiving the national flags at a meeting held at Congress House on Saturday.

20 ARRESTS AT KOTAH

Sequel To Acts Of Violence

UDAIPUR, July 17 (API)—Twenty persons, who were directly or indirectly responsible for acts of violence at Kotah on July 8 when the Minister for Agriculture was to address a public meeting there, have been arrested according to a press 'communique' issued by the Rajasthan Government.

Giving the genesis of the incident, the "Communique" states that for over a month and a half, certain disgruntled persons at Kotah were trying to misguide the local public by violent speeches against both the Central Government and the Government of Rajasthan They organised demonstrations to create distrust and hatred against the administration of the present government. "The cumulative effect of these irresponsible speeches reached its climax when the Minister for Agriculture visited Kotah At a meeting held in the evening of July 8, ugly scenes were created by the presence of a few hooligans deliberately secured by the agitators without the knowledge of either the public or the police."

To avoid public disturbances, the meeting was dissolved by the Minister. But filthy abuse was hurled against him and actually a rush was made for physical violence on him and the supporters of the Government The new policemen on duty cordoned the minister and escorted him out of the crowd. The crowd then switched off the lights and acts of violence followed. The house of the Police Inspector who stopped the mob from doing mischief was attacked and inmates of the house, including women and children, were beaten. This necessitated the imposition of curfew and the situation was brought under control. The police later arrested 20 persons who were directly or indirectly responsible for acts of violence on July 8.

CONGRESS AGRARIAN REFORMS COMMITTEE

Visits Co-operative Colony At Mismari

GAUHATI, July 18, (API): Members of the Congress Agrarian Reforms Committee, led by Mr. J. C. Kumarappa, yesterday visited the 3500— acres co-operative colony at Mismari, the first of its kind in the province, located 24 miles from Tezpur. The Government have acquired here land for co-operative farming and tractors are being used to help villagers.

The members of the Committee met cultivators of Mismari to find out whether they were interested in co-operative projects and also examined some leading men of the place regarding Agrarian problems in the province.

The Committee reached Shillong in the evening.

ADMINISTRATION FOR PHULKIAN

Efforts To Form Interim Ministry Prove Abortive

AMBALA, July 18, (U.P.I.): Efforts for the formation of an Interim Ministry in the Patiala and East Punjab States Union having proved abortive so far, the appointment on an Administator is thought to be the only way out of the present IMPASSE.

In this connection a prominent member of the State Congress stated that the top-ranking leaders of the State Congress seemed to have no objection to this proposal but that it not looked upon with much favour by the rank and file.

Three Hundred Villages Under Water

PATNA, July 18, (U. P. I.): Reports just now received indicate that high floods breaking all previous records have visited the Kosi-stricken areas of the Darbhanga district. It appears that the Koshi channels have shifted towards the east.

About three hundred villages in Nadhepura Phulpara, Birgul and Singhiya thanas of the district are under waist to chest deep water. A large number of dwelling houses have already collapsed. Most of the villagers have moved to elevated places wherever they are available.

The flood level is still rising fast.

TRAIN DERAILMENT AT NEWSOUTHGATE

Engine Crew Killed And 30 Passengers Injured

LONDON, July 17, (Reuter): A member of the engine crew was killed and 30 passengers slightly injured when the Edinburgh-London Sleepingcar Express was derailed at Newsouthgate today.

All ten coaches with 432 passengers aboard left the track and the engine breaking loose from the rest of the train ran on for 30 yards before turning over on its side.

ENGLAND'S TEAM FOR NEXT TEST

Hutton Recalled Grantson And Laker Included

LONDON, July 18, (Reuter): England's team to meet Australia in the fourth cricket Test starting at Leeds on Thursday next July 22 will be selected from the following twelve players:

NORMAN YARDLEY (YORKSHIRE) CAPTAIN, W. J. EDRICH (MIDDLESEX), KENNETH CRANSTON (LANCASHIRE), LEN HUTTON (YORKSHIRE), CYRIL WASHBROOK (LANCASHIRE), R. POLLARD (LANCASHIRE), DENIS COMPTON (MIDDLESEX), T. G. EVANS (KENT), ALEC BEDSER (SURREY), JIM LAKER (SURREY), J. .. YOUNG (MIDDLESEX) AND J. F. CRAPP (GLOUCESTERSHIRE).

There are no newcomers te the latest England side as Laker played in the first two Tests and Cranston appeared in the West Indies series last winter.

Hutton who was dropped from the third Test is recalled, Cranston and Laker being other newcomers compared with the Manchester match, with Emmett Wardle then twelfth man and Dollery dropped. The twelfth man is not nominated and it is not expected that another player will be chosen. Hutton's recall will be extremely popular in both England and Australia and it is expected that he will be thoroughly fit particularly as he is resting from Yorkshire's current engagement. The fact that tried players have been brough back instead of experiments with promising youngsters suggests that the selectors are chiefly concerned with drawing the Rubber rather than introducing new blood to the England side.

The Ashes are safe in Australia's keeping with their two wins and a draw, but if England win at Leeds and the Oval they can draw the present series.

Hutton would not comment on his recall beyond saying that he is at present under the Doctor but feels much better and expects to be perfectly fit by Thursday.

INDO-CHINESE FOOTBALL TEAM

Dr. Katju Urges Them To Uphold Honour Of Asia's Flag At Olympiad

CALCUTTA, July 18, (A.P.I.): Indian and Chinese football teams should uphold the honour of the Flag of Asia and the east in the coming Olympiad in London, said the Governor of West Bengal, Dr. Kailash Nath Katju, speaking today at a luncheon given to the Chinese Olympic Football team by the Council of the Indian Football Association.

Dr. Katju recalled the age-long cultural and religious association between India and China and said that Indians will ever remain grateful to Chinese travellers like, Fa Hian and Huen Tsang for their memorable writings about this country. No foreign traveller, had taken so much pains to study the conditions in India as they obtained at this time as the Chinese, he added.

The President of the Indian Football Association, Dr. S. K. Gupta, the Chinese Consul in Calcutta, Dr. W. P. Tsai, and the Manager of the Chinese Olympic Football Team, Dr. C. C. Yung, also spoke emphasising the ties of friendship between the two countries existing from time immemorial.

NARENDRA NATH WINS THIRD ROUND

STRAD, (Switzerland), July 17 (Reuter): Narendra Nath of India won his third round match in the Mens Singles of the Swiss Lawn Tennis Championships today beating Christin Boussus of France 6/3 6/3.

WHY THAKIN NU RESIGNED

RANGOON, July 17 (Reuter): The Burmese Premier Thakin Nu said in a broadcast tonight the reason he tendere his resignation was his "intense desire to strengthen the unity of the Burmese people".

RASHID XI'S POOR DISPLAY

Easily Beaten By Goan Sports In H. League

BOMBAY, Sunday.

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Rashid's XI who started the first half of the Harwood League with such promise, accounting for the Tatas, the Trades and the Rangers, found the beginning of the second half of the Harwood League extremely painful for they were badly beaten by the Goan Sports in their initial engagement of the latter half of the League.

The surface was somewhat heavy though not particularly heavy and the fair-weather combination of the Rashid's XI found their dribbling and close play both unsuitable and ineffective. Apart from the fact that they were unable to score even once during the sixty minutes of play, the Rashid's never looked an impressive side and it would have been something in the nature of a surprise had they succeeded in scoring.

The winners, on the other hand had a nippy and efficient forward line that was rather more enthusiastic than brilliant. But the pace and understanding of their quintette succeeded in putting the Rashid's defence in great difficulty. During the first half, sheer good fortune kept them only one goal behind their opponents, but after the interval, the Goans added two more goals, of which the one scored A. Braganza was by far the best seen at the Cooperage for a long time. Finding himself in front of the goal and barely five yards from the onrushing goalie, Braganza quietly pushed the ball aside into the far cornor of the net just outside the reach of Ariknathan.

P. Ferrao scored the remaining two goals of which the first was off a penalty

GOAN SPORTS: J. Coutinho; A. Vaidya and J. D'Souza; G. D'Costa, K. Vaidya and R. Tavares; C. Rego, C. Fernandes, P. Ferrao, A. Braganza and K. Godinho.

RASHID'S XI: Ariknatfian; Ahmed and R. Lobo; Raffaels, Shivram and Panna; I. Joseph, Kuppu, Dass, Lalloo and Nurthy.

Monday evening at 5-35 p.m. Tatas vs. G.I.P.

"FORGET RETIRING LOUIS"

NEW YORK, July 17, (Reuter). The Twentieth Century Sporting Club today disclosed that it is making every effort to persuade Joe Louis to forget about retiring as heavy-weight champion and to fight Gus Lesnivich for the title at the Yankee Stadium on September 22.

"I see nothing wrong with that and I shall be very happy if Louis agrees", said acting promotor Sol Strauss. "Louis is in good physical condition after training for and fighting Jersey Joe Walcott."

Al Buch writing in the "New York Post" commented that Louis's many admirers knowing that he has passed his fighting peak, hopes that he resists the pressure from the Twentieth Century which is concerned. he adds, only in keeping control of the heavy-weight championship.

Although Louis announced his retirement, he has not written either Eddie Eagan, Chairman of the New York Boxing Commission or Abe J Greene, President of the National Boxing Association relinquising the title.

'World's Best Canoeist'

STOCKHOLM, (UPA)— "The world's best canoeist" will have the opportunity of proving his right to this title when he competes in the Olympic canoe events at Henley this summer. He is Gort Fredriksson of Sweden.

This claim to world supremacy is no idle one. In the last six years Fredriksson has participated in over 200 canoe races and won all but one. This was lost because his canoe was damaged.

On the basis of this record Sweden is virtually sure of obtaining two gold medals — single canoe 1,000 and 10,000 meters — during the contests on the River Thames.

OLYMPIC FLAME WAY TO CORFU

ATHENS, July 18, (Reuter): The alympic flame, findled on an live branch by a young Greek girl on Olympus yesterday and carried to the port of Katakolo by runners was on its way to Corfu ealy today in the Greek destroyer "Hastings".

Greek troops line the road as the flame left the ruined temple of Zeus for the coast on the first lap of its 2,000-mile journey to Wembley, Britain for the opening of the games next month.

In London next week, the Greek Olympis Committee will put forward a proposal for making Olympus once more a world Athletic centre, it was learned here.

The Centre would include in International Olympic Committee Palace and a world olympic academy.

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OLYMPIC FLAME ON WAY TO BARI

CORFU, July 18, (Reuter): The Olympic flame, which yesterday began its 2,000 mile journey from Greece to Wembley for the opening of the Olympic games, was today on its way from Corfu to Bari in the British frigate, Whitsand Bay.

On its arrival at Bari the flame will be handed to an Italian runner.

JACK CRUMP BACK FROM HOSPITAL

MANCHESTER, July 18, (Reuter): Mr. Jack Crump, Manager of the British Olympic team, who collapsed after the triangular international match here yesterday and was taken to hospital was discharged from the hospital today.

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MIXED RECEPTION BY INDIAN INDUSTRIALISTS

Shroff Considers Acceptance Of 15 Million "Far Too Inadequate": Goenka Congratulates Chetty

BOMBAY, July 17 (API) Mr. A.D. Shroff, a Director of Tatas, interviewed on the Sterling Balances agreement said: Giving the utmost credit to the Finance Minister and his mission for the able advocacy of India's cause, I must confess to a sense of disappointment at the results obtained:

"On the two questions of taking over stores and installations belonging to the British Government and the funding of our pensions liability, the settlement reached must be regarded as satisfactory. But on the question of further release of sterling and the allotment of 15 million pound for the next 12 months for multilateral convertibility, the country cannot accept this as satisfactory.

"It is true that the Finance Minister must have felt some embarrassment in disclosing 80 million pounds of unspent balance out of the previous releases. It is a matter of common knowledge, particularly among the business and industrial community in India, that decisions on applications for import licences have been unduly delayed by the Commerce Department with the result that the last portion of the Sterling released in the previous period could not be utilised before June 30. That, of course, cannot justify the acceptance of only 80 million pounds as a further release for the next three years.

Due to a number of causes, Mr. Shroff added mainly consequent upon the tremendous political transformation which the country has undergone since August 15 last, trade and industry were thrown out of their normal gear and to that extent the absorptive capacity of the country has been curtailed during recent months.

"FAR TOO INADEQUATE"

Mr. Shroff considered the acceptance of 15 million for multilateral convertibility as being far too inadequate, even making allowance for the fact that some of the hitherto hard currency countries like Switzerland were now brought within the Sterling Area for our purposes. Again, the argument that India could avail of the facilities of the International Monetary Fund was not at all convincing and did not justify their abandoning their legitimate claims for allocation of freely convertible sterling.

'Tactful Handling Under Difficult Situation'

AHMEDABAD, July 17 (API)—"Finance Minister Mr. Shanmukham Chetty deserves credit for his tactful handling of sterling balances under difficult situation" said Mr. Ramanlal Lallubhai, President, Ahmedabad Millowners' Associatiion, in a statement issued here today.

Great Britain, he added, has her own problems of balance of payments. India is at the same time in need of large import of capital goods for the rehabilitation of her economic and industrial development. The release of sterling balances has therefore received considerable importance.

I also with that industrialists should proceed with the schemes of industrial development, which will reconstruct the economy of the country."

'Congratulations' To Chetty

CALCUTTA, July 17 (API)—Congratulating India's Finance Minister, Mr. R. K. Shanmukham Chetty, and members of the Sterling Balances Delegation on the agreement on Sterling Balances they had concluded with the U.K. Mr. K. P. Goenka, President of the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Calcutta, expressed the hope that the goodwill and better understanding that had been created between the two countries as a result of the agreement would lead to more satisfactory settlements in future.

Mr. Goenka said that a large sum than 15 million sterling might have been made available for multilateral convertibility during the first year. As regards the availability of a total of £170 million sterling of foreign exchange under the agreement, the only question that arose, he said, was what steps should be taken to ensure its full utilisation.

Mr. Goenka assured that Finance Minister on behalf of the industrialists that they were keen on going ahead with their plans, but, he added, the necessary conditions to ensure successful execution of their plans should be created and that could be done only if Government took effective steps to restore confidence among the general public and remove the feelings of uncertainty from their minds.

'Vital To India's Recovery'

LONDON, July 17 (Reuter)—Commenting on the Indo-British Sterling Balances Agreement, the "Manchester Guardian" in an editorial stated "in Britain's present position, there could be no justification for agreeing to send unrequited exports equal to 1/6th of our Marshall Aid to any country but India. It is not only that India was a loyal ally during the war, providing stors at controlled prices—unlike some other holders of balances—and two million soldiers. It is also that these releases are vital to India's recovery which is a vital British and indeed, world interests.

Remarking that the Agreement must entail substantial unrequited exports, the "Daily Telegraph" city editor said "the two capital items (war stores and pensions) have unfortunately been finally settled without a "quid pro quo" in the shape of any scaling down conseccion by India."

The "Financial Times" leader said that the concessions made to India went far beyond anything the Indian delegation could have hoped. "If the British Government ever hoped for scaling down, this was the time to demand it, but the agreement contains no provision whatever for scaling down. But while India makes no concessions, Britain makes plenty."

SOCIALIST REMEDY FOR INDUSTRIAL UNREST

The Present Great Disparity Between Highest And Lowest Strata Of Socity Must Go, Says Jaiprakash

CALCUTTA, July 18 (UPI):- "The Socialists do not want destruction of trade and commerce. They would like to have more production but more equitable distribution also", said Shri Jai Prakash Narain the Socialist leader addressing a small selected gathering of businessmen at the Arya-Samaj Insurance Building on invitation of Shri S. C. Roy, President of the Bengal Millowners' Association, yesterday.

He said that they wanted a proper adjustment between labour and capital, as goods were produced co-operatively, the distribution should also be on co-operative basis.

Owing to capitalism, even in the most economically and industrially advanced country like America, where the standard of living was very high, all was not well because of the great disparity betwen the highest level and the lowest strata of society, the Socialist leader added.

Continuing he observed that in the circumstances they should ask the commercial community to change their outlook and get ready to adjust themselves to the changes he visualised. The Socialist did not want any chaos or confusion in the country. They wanted this change-over to take place peacefully and democratically as it was being done in England.

Welcoming Shri Jai Prakash Shri S. C. Roy requested him to clarify the attitude of the Socialists towards the industrialists as the general popular belief was that the Socialists stood for destruction of private enterprise. Shri Roy said that industrialists had now changed their outlook and barring a few, the majority were trying to contribute their mite for the welfare of the society. The Government and different political parties by not defining their industrial and financial policy in the clearest possible terms and acting upon them boldly and courageously was responsible for the set-back India was facing in the business world, while everybody was clamouring for more production.

'They Are Growing Fascist And Leading Country Towards Disaster'

CALCUTTA, July 17 (API): Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, the Socialist leader, today reiterated his charge against the Congres Governments in the country that "after" August 15 they were growing fascist and heading the country towards disaster, by their policies".

Addressing the annual conference of the Calcutta District Socialist Party, Mr. Jai Prakash Narain said that the people of the country, who had fought against the alien Government from within the Congress organisation, had nursed high hopes in their minds that when Congress leaders wielded the reins of administration they would improve the condition of the masses within a short time. But the same people, the kisans, mazdoors and the middle classes—were now disillusioned. After the achievement of independence there was little change in the country of which they would be proud. Instead, they found that the rich were growing richer and the poor poorer under the inequitable distribution of wealth that obtained in the land at present.

The Congress as an organisation thought that it was the Government itself, forgetting the fact that the Government was a team of public servants. Mr. Jai Prakash said that corruption was rampant in every department of the Government including the anti-corruption department. He suggested the setting up of a Selective Secret Service Commission direct under the Home Minister, its reports should be placed before a tribunal, whose verdicts would be binding on everybody.

'Daily Express' Chairman Dead

DUNMOW, Essex, July 17 (Reuter): Ralph D. Blumenfield, American-born Chairman of the London "Daily Express", died here today, aged 84. Son of an American country newspaper Editor, he started his career in the composing room of his father's newspaper.

BANGKOK, July 18 (Reuter): Siam will be able to export 900,000 tons of rice next year, Phya Phananuchorn, Minister of Agriculture, said today.

This is 100,000 tons more than the estimate for this year he said, due to an expected 400,000 acre increase in rice cultivation next year.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE SCANDALISED

Editors And Advocate Fined And Jailed

(From Our Correspondent)

BANGALORE, July 17.

The Special Committee appointed by the Government of Mysore to enquire into the financial transactions of Mr. B. N. Gopala Rao, convicted Mr. L. S. Raju (advocate), Mr. P. R. Ramaiya (Editor, "Daily News") and Mr. P. B. Srinivasan (Editor, "Tainadu"), for contempt of Court under Section 3 the Contempt of Court Act. of 1930 and sentenced them to two months' simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 300/, or, in default, to further imprisonment of one month.

The charge against the accused was that they wrote articles in "Tainadu" and "Daily News" calculating to bring the Committee into contempt, judgment said: "It is well-known that very influential and powerful personalitie come into the picture of the enquiry. It is also known that Herculean and Machivellian forces are at work to see that the real truth relating to the 'Gopala Rao Bubble' does not see the light of day. There can be no doubt that the articles of the opponents had been pressed into service by those forces for their own purposes. It may be that the opponents are unaware of it, but that circumstance does not in any way minimise the effect of the articles on the mind of the reading public. The articles, read with the context, clearly and unmistakably scandalise the Committee. They interfere with the work of the Committee in examining the witnesses."

The Judgement added that the articles in question, generally speaking, sought to prevent those, who were aware of the relevant facts and details of the cash, from offering full cooperation to the Committee. They scared and frightened or tended to scare or frighten the witnesses who were summoned to appear before the Committee.

"Apart from the attitude of the acc used in court," Mr. Justice Medappa added, "the manner and method in which the proceedings in the Court were reported in these two papers seem to have been designed to aggravate the tension. I cannot find anything to alleviate the gravity of the offence."

Later the accused were released on bail on their executing a bond to the value of Rs. 1,000 each by an order of Mr. Justice Puttaraj Urs of the Mysore High Court, granting the bail to the accused Mr. Justice Puttaraj Urs, observed that the point raised by the petitioners appeared to be of fundamental importance and seemed to affect the Judicial powers that had been conferred on the Committee by the Emergency Ordinance. The accused were all men of standing and belonged to professions and callings which might suffer by their sudden detention.

PAKISTAN TAKES TO CHARKHA WITH ZEAL

Karachi To Have Over 50,000 Wheels

(From Our Correspondent)

KARACHI, July 17.

To meet acute shortage of cloth Pakistan has taken to spinning and weaving in right earnest. Several hundred charkhas have been distributed in different lacalities in Karachi and it is understood will have 50,000 more charkhas shortly.

Three centres for women will be established within a month to train them in the art of charkha spinning. An individua is supplied with charkha and cotton 'puni' free of cost, on the understanding that the yarn spun will be handed over to the Pakistan Spinners and Weavers' Association.

The Association, it is learnt, has decided to pay for the yarn at the rate of As. 8 to Rs. 10/4/- ped lb., according to quality of the count produced. The Provincial branches have been functioning in all the provinces and states acceded to Pakistan. In the West Punjab about 11,000 looms and 60 spinning societies are working under the co-operative societies. To popularise this movement the West Punjab branch has filmed the activities of this work.

A prominent Muslim Leaguer who is interested in the Khadi movement in an interview said: "If Khadi is to be popularised in Pakistan our leaders at the top should set an example by wearing khadi and they should also take out from their hearts that deep-rooted prejudice, viz, that this movement was first started by the Congress."

MYSORE FILLIP TO SILK INDUSTRY

(From Our Correspondent)

BANGALORE, July 15.

Several important subjects relating to the development of the silk industry like the starting of a Sericultural Research Station, the establishment of a Central Silk Marketing Society, installation of cold storage plants in important sericultural areas and a survey of the economic position of silk handloom weavers in Mysore State, were discussed at a conferenee of all interests of silk industry in the State held here today under the auspices of the Mysore Government under the presidency of Mr. P Subbarama Setty, Minister in charge of Sericulture. Sir A Ramaswamy Mudaliar, Dewan, inaugurated the conference.

LONDON EXCHANGES

T. T. London On:

LONDON, July 17.

New York	4.0275	4.0325
Montreal	4.0275	4.0325
Zurich	17.34	17.36
Stockholm	14.47	14.50

London Stocks, Silver, Gold and Wheat closed.

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, July 17.

July	2.25-1/4
September	2.28-1/8
December	2.30
May	2.27-3/8

NEW YORK, July 17.

New York Cotton and stocks markets closed.

Weekly Hapur Markets Review

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

HAPUR, July 14.

FOODGRAINS: Markets continued to maintain a very steady undertone. Wheat was particularly steady. The difference between the price of wheat and those of other food grains is now the widest for all times. That supports the view that in recent years the consumption of wheat has appreciably increased. People who has hitherto been prevented from taking wheat now find it within their means to eat it. This is particularly true of the peasants of this province.

REINTRODUCTION OF RATIONING.

The biggest news of the week was the reintroduction of rationing in the U. P. Cities from August 1. Rationing will first be introduced in the 5 top big towns in the province and would be confined to wheat and rice only. Persons with income below 100 a month would be entitled to the benefit. The U. P. Food Minister has explained that the province had a food grains reserve of 1 lakh tons while their requirements for the period ending April 1949 would be about 2-1/2 lakh tons.

The step which has now been taken was long over due. Prices had already reached a level which was getting out of reach of the common man. In a pamphlet circulated by the Information Dept of the U. P. Government food shortage in the province has been traced to an increase in population. There were 5,36,00,000 persons to feed before the war; now the number has swelled to 5,87,00,000. On the basis of these figures the shortage works out at about 9 per cent of the total produce of the province.

Current quotations in the Hapur market are: Wheat 23/8 to 21, Gram 13/8, Barley 12/14, Maize 11, Bajra 11/8, Peas 13/4, Urd 19, Moong 19, Masoor 14, Jouwar 14 and Bejhar 12/8. During the week under review pulses recorded good advance on poor local stocks position.

Arrivals continued to remain very poor and the stocks the lowest on record. Fairly good grains have been received now. Sowings of the Sawain crops will be taken in hand immediately.

GOVERNMENT ENQUIRY.

The U. P. Government has been conducting an enquiry into the causes of the present abnormal rise in wheat prices. The Provincial Marketing Officer as also a representative of the Government of India Food Ministry have been visiting all important grain markets and met the representatives of the trade, the producers and the consumers. They have visited villages also

GUR: The market remained fairly steady. Arrivals were poor due partly to the cloudy and rainy weather but primarily to reduce holdings in the villages. Despatches continued to be fairly heavy at an average of 50 wagon loads a week. Ready is now quoted at 13/4. Shakkar is quoted at 12/12. Recent rains will do much good to the standing sugarcane crop which is reported to have been progressing more or less satisfactorily so far.

In the ready section prices moved within a narrow range. Although there were frequent trials of strength between the opposite groups, the bulls could not be seriously dislodged. Highest during the week touched 10/8/6. Lowest fell to 9/15/4. Presently it is quoted at 10/5.

The sugar market remained lifeless; there being a very poor offtake. Prices remained unchanged.

MUSTARDSEED: The ready market remained steady and prices record some advance under all sections. Demand has been fairly consistent while the supplies are poor. Sarson has improved to 25 Oil to 70 and Oilcake to 7/8 per maund. The deadlock in the futures sections remained unresolved. Fresh efforts are being made to clear up jeth commitments.

BARDANA: Futures remained quiet and there has been slight fall in the futures quotations. Bulls were silent. Asuj is now quoted at 96 and Oct. at 108. There has been moderate turn over.

BULLION: The market which had encountered a strong beariah onslaught in the early stage of the week under review rallied up later and recovered most of the loss suffered. Last Wednesday Silver had closed at 166/4 and Gold at 113 Presently Silver is quoted at 164 2 and Gold at 113/6. Silver and Gold had touched as low as 160/8 and 111/8 respectively this week. Of the two Gold remained steady on Bombay advices of a consistently good offtake. Silver witnessed frequent wire pullings. Bulls although changing hands at small margins are unwilling to yield to any appreciable extent. Short coverings invariably appear at falling prices.

EAST BENGAL JUTE

Preliminary Forecast For 1948

DACCA, July 16 (API)—In the preliminary jute forecast of East Bengal for 1948, published today, the Director of Agriculture says that the total of licensed and estimated areas this year stands at 21,59,450 acres as against 23,64,515 and 20,58,690 acres in the corresponding and final forecasts, respectively, last year. There has been considerable damage to the crop in the districts of Dacca, Mymensingh, Faridpur, Noakhali, Tippera, Sylhet, Rangpur and Bogra due to excessive rainfall, hailstorms and early rise of water. Damage in the remaining districts (excepting Kushia, Jessore and Khulna where the crop has not been adversely affected has been less extensive. Th present outlook of the crop for the province a whole does not appear satisfactory. The stock in the hands of cultivators from last year's crop is reported to be small.

CHICAGO GRAINS

CHICAGO, July 17: Grains declined under increased liquidation of July particularly in maize, while other selling was influenced by continued favourable weather and crop advices together with easiness of cash wheat in the leading south-western markets as the result of heavy new crop receipts. With exception of Chcago December and Minneapolis July and December, wheat contracts in all other wheat deliveries were traded below the Government loan level of 2.29 dollars per bushel at Chicago, 2.24 Kansascity and 2.26 at Minneapolis. Towards the close the resumption of short covering in July, maize enabled that delivery to recover more than thre cents from the day's lows. All other grains however, failed to join in the up turn.

Local Short Covering In Cotton Market

CROP DOING WELL IN BROACH AND KHANDESH DISTRICTS

The Patel Cotton Co. Ltd. has issued the following weekly report:—

The future prices in New York moved irregularly over the week, but there is no appreciable net change. The main causes for this indecision were slowness of current spot and export inquiries, declining mill consumption in U.S.A. and the brighter prospects of the new crop, on the one hand, and the strength of the statiscal position on the other.

On the basis of the official estimate of 29,653,000 acres and the average yield of the last five years, the new crop production could be put around 12,500,000 bales. If, however, the present ideal weather and the general favourable conditions continue through the harvest time, a crop production in the neighbourhood of 14,000,000 B/s, is not considered improbable. Some expect a record yield of 300 lbs. per acre, which would raise production figure to 14,500,000 bales.

As against this, E.R.P. priority for cotton exports and liberal financial aids to Japan and Korea indicate an appreciable increase in future exports. The United States carryover will not be much above 3,250,000 bales at the end of the season. The statistical position, therefore, can be considered quite strong.

SALES OF EGYPTIAN COTTON

It is reported that the Egyptian Government has instructed its representatives in Alexandria spot-market to sell cotton either for hard currency or on a barter basis in exchange of products such as cereals, fats, fertilizers and petrol. A barter plan is understood to have been discussed between representatives of Egyptian Government and Swiss authorities.

An agreement for financing Empire Cotton Growing Corporation's new research station at Uganda has been reached. It is hoped that the centre will satisfy much of the Empire's requirements of long-stapled cotton by improving the East African quality and yield. Some critics, however, think that the better way of promptly enlarging cotton supply would be for Britain and other importing countries to guarantee Egypt's gain supplies and a market for Egyptian cotton, thus releasing Egyptian land for cotton. They believe that Egypt's potentiality for prompt expansion is greater than all British colonies put together.

A conference of Provincial and States Ministers will be held shortly in Delhi to review the position of cotton textiles since the abolition of Textile Control. It is generally believed that some definite policy for checking the rise in cloth and yarn prices will be evolved, but what form it will take remains a matter of life speculation. Suggestions have ranged from the complete nationalisation of textile industry to Government monopoly over distribution through its appointed agents. The committee is also expected to suggest ways in which the Government may assist the trade in the increase of production, which deserves the highest priority in any programme to check the inflationary spiral.

An agreement has been reached between the Governments of India and Pakistan, by which, in addition to the 4 lac bales expected before the end of August 1948, 6½ lac bales would be made available to India for 1948-49 cotton year. Against this India would export to Pakistan 4 lac bales of cloth and yarn during the same period. It is reported that Russia, who is a keen buyer of Pakistan cotton has bought about 40,000 bales from Pakistan in the last fortnight.

The export of all raw cotton, except Bengal Deshi, Mathia, Assam and Comillas, has been banned upto 31st March 1949.

The Bombay futures market was dominated by bears in the earlier period of the week. From last week's position of Rs. 632, the September contract was hammered down to the low level of Rs. 608-, after which it showed resistance and on local covering, prices appreciated, wiping off most of the previous loss.

The July contract, which at one period of its career, had reached the high level of Rs. 789, now stands at around Rs. 655, with only nine more days in hand, before it finally expires. During the week, it had reached the lowest level of Rs. 630.

Business in the ready market at Sewri gained in volume as the week advanced. The average turnover, however, is not very large. There is a fairly good mill demand for Jarilla old and new. Adoni, Raichur as well as Uplands have come in for some inquiries.

CROP REPORT

The recent heavy monsoon witnessed in the City has reached Broach and Surat districts as well as Khandesh, both east and west, which has greatly benefited the cotton crops. The Comptas in the Hubli district are badly starved of rain water so far, and sowing operations are much handicapped by the delay of monsoon in these areas. In the Nandyal district of Northerns and Red Cocanada, sowings have not yet started. In Nanded, in the Nizam state, there is reported to be a sizeable reduction in acreage, owing to unrest in the State, and the yield is said to be 40 per cent to 50 per cent less than last year. The crops that are under cultivation, however, are doing well.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

Bombay, July 17.

S. S. DUIND.

From Trieste.—30 cases diesel engines, 163 cases sewing cotton threads and reels, 312 cases sheep chains.

From Genoa.—42 bags raw silk.

From Naples.—400 boxes shelled almonds.

From Soni.—1500 bags unshelled almonds, 3550 bags shelled almonds, 200 bags sweet shelled almonds. 777 bales Egyptian cotton.

S.S. FLYING ARROW

From Bangkok.—1089 boxes tin ingots refined, 3166 bags sago flour, 557 bags L. seeds, 130 bags betlenuts.

S.S. ARDIC BEND

From Hongkong.—394 bags old brass scraps, 726 bags Cassia, 35 cases torch bulbs, 80 drums aniline dyes, 213 pkgs. copper ingots.

From Singapore.—2835 bags sago flour, 863 bags betlenuts, 72 bags copper scraps, 541 bags L. seeds.

EXPORTS

S.S. DUMRA.

To Kuwait.—13 bales cotton piecegoods—A. H. Zhaya. 150 chests black tea—Bhankoria Bros. 96 chests black tea—Rajani Kant and Co.

386 chest black tea —Suresh Chandra & Co.

To KARACHI:—

400 pkgs. bettle leaves —Rosanali Bros.

To ZATRON:—

50 chest black tea —Rajanikant & Co.

To BAHREIN

100 bags tanarind—A. H. Shaya 70 cases toilet soap—G. Gusheri 27 bales Absorbant Cotton Wool —S. S. Ruben 110 drums Calcium Chloride —Anglo-Iranian Oil Co. Ltd. 75 bdls teakwood timber. 3 baskets tamarind—G. E. Surtee.

To KHORANISHIRE:—

290 bags turmeric—H. H. Rayma.

S. S. MOHMEDI

To VENICE:—

330 bales raw cotton—Volkort Bros.

S. S. MOHMED

To KARACHI:—

400 pkgs. bettle leaves—Roshannalli Bros.

S. S. BARPETA

To KARACHI:—

400 pkgs. bettle leaves —PUSHANALLI Bros.

S. S. MOZAFFARI

To KARACHI:—

10 bales hand loom cotton piecegoods —M. Vali Sadiq.

—S.S. MAUXNAVIGATOR—

To Columbo—

50 bags fenel seeds— M. Purushottam and Co. 20 bags methi seed Indo overseas Export Co. 50 bags cumin seed— M. Gopatlal and Co. 12 bales cotton piecegoods— M. Palayakat and Co 25 bags Comin seed— Indo-overseas Export Co. 26 bags methi seeds and 11 bags fenelseed — S. N. V. N. Pillai.

—S.S. BHARATMATA—

To Karachi:—

25 bags Caramums and 50 bags hemaj —A.S. Tayab. 15 bales handloom cotton piecegoods— C. Chunilal 6 bales handloom cotton piecegoods— N. Harilal 12 Cases art silk piecegoods — H. Ebrahim 10 bags gumbawal— A. S. Tayab.

—S.S. LUTTERKERK—

To Antwerp:—

31 bales yellow cotton packings— Volkart Bros.

—S.S. JAHNGIR—

To Aden—

11 bales tobacco —C. Kasturchand 85 bales tobacco — T. Shikabai Shikabhai.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

BRITISH LORD, 6098 tons arrived from Falmouth on July 17 carrying 8645 tons diesel oil.

MONTGOMERY CITY, 5686 tons (M. M.), arrived from Baltimore Md., on July 17 carrying 4858 tons general cargo.

S.S. BAMORA, 3291 tons (M.M.) from Basrah on July 17 carrying 901 tons general cargo.

DEPARTURES

CLAN MACKINNON 7272 tons left for Tuticorin on July 16 carrying 200 tons general cargo and 68 passengers.

T. S. S. KAMPALA, 10304 tons, (B. I. S. N.), for Durban on July 16 carrying 1910 tons general cargo and 224 passengers.

BRITISH SAILOR, 5575 tons for Abadan on July 16 carrying ballast.

BRITISH CHANCELLOR, 7085 tons for Asadan on July 16 carrying ballast.

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In Search Of Deep-Sea Port

RIVAL CLAIMS OF BHATKAL, MANGALORE AND MALPE

(From Our Correspondent)

BANGALORE, July 17.

The West Coast Major Port Development Committee constituted by the Government of India under the chairmanship of Mr. Kasturbhai Lalbhai to report "whether a deep-sea port, oetween Marmagoa and Cochin, for the accommodation of ships of large size tonnage, at all seasons of the year, is required," heard the Mysore Government's case for the development of Bhatkal.

The Mysore Government representatives urged the following in favour of Bhatkal:

(1) Bhatkal is only about ten miles from the Mysore frontier and is the most natural outlet to the sea for Mysore traffic, which will form a major portion of the traffic that the new port will have to handle; (2) the future industrial and agricultural developments of Mysore will be in Shimoga District. It will be remembered that the Mysore Government have embarked on a nine-crore immigation scheme at Lakkavalli in Shimoga District, which is to be a combined Hydro-Electric and irrigation project; (3) The difficulties due to a break in the gauge at Bangalore City and the consequential transhipment of goods from Madras and Cochin harbours will be avoided; (4) the area within easy reach of Bhatkal is abundant with forest produce and mineral; (5) with the construction of the Mahatma Gandhi Hydro-Electric Works at Jog Falls, the logical place for heavy industries would be in Shimoga District; (6) the development of Bhatkal harbour would promote generally prosperity of not only of the Mysore State but also of the adjoining hinterland of the North and South Kanara districts; (7) Bhatkal with its inner harbour would serve as a port for traffic all the year round; (8) Bhatkal required the construction of the smallest length of railway line, about 48 miles, to Talaguppa, and the ghat section to be negotiated would not be so steep as at other places and lastly, with the availability of cement and steel at Bhadravati and electric power from Jog, Bhatkal is ideally suited for ship-building.

The Mysore Chamber of Commerce presented a memorandum to the Committee pressing the claim for Bhatkal, and urged that it be given priority for development as a deep set port on the West Coast.

CASE FOR MANGALORE

The Kanara Chamber of Commerce in its memorandum to the Committee pointed out that Mangalore had the advantage of a broad and deep backwater which was separated from the sea by a permanent sands-pit, which by reason of its sandy content was in a position to absorb the shock of the largest waves that might beat against it in the worst storms.

The memorandum pointed out that its hinterland comprised the whole of Coorg and of western Mysore with their rich agricultural wealth and their industrial potentialities.

Bhatkal, it said, could not hope to trict of Mysore could offer, her lack of communication with the rest of the hinterland. Further the whole area intended to be served by Bhatkal cannot be said to be too far away from Managalore as a railway line has been already surveyed to link Arsalur with Managalore and this would thus bring Managalore within 157 miles from the tap more than what Shimoga Disfarthest point, namely Bhadravati.

Referring to its present trade, the memorandum said, that the total tonnage handled during the past year at Mangalore was 300,000 and it was not far wrong in stating that the total tonnage of goods intended for or going out from the Mangalore hinterland through other ports was in the neighbourhood of 200,000 tons. It could be calculated that the actual tonnage of goods available for import and export at Managalore at present was 500,000 tons.

The memorandum added that the development of Bhatkal would mean the development of only the Shimoga-Bhadravati area, but the development of Mangalore would mean the development of the entire hinterland from Bhatkal to Badagara (South Kanara) and from Shimoga to Mercara (Coorg). There was nothing to prevent the springing up of industries in other areas besides the Shimoga-Bhadravati area.

CLAIMS OF MALPE

The claims of Malpe for development and the great advantages this port had over the three other ports to be considered by the Committee, viz., Karwar, Bhatkal and Mangalore, were emphasised by the Malpe Port Development Committee in their memorandum to the Committee.

The memorandum said that Malpe had a rich hinterland with great industrial development than any other port, and a natural harbour which could be developed into a naval base with negligible recurring expenditure, Malpe had the best claims among all the ports to be developed between Marmagoa and Cochin.

Malpe, the memorandum pointed out, would be an ideal port in regard to relative distances. It was 18 miles nearer than Bhatkal to any trade centre in Mysore, South Kanara and Bellary. The cost of construction of the Harbour and railways would be less than in all the other cases. Further Malpe offered immense scope for the development of fishing industry, since it was the biggest centre in the whole of India at present with annual catches worth Rs. 2 crores. It also offered great scope for the ship-building industry.

MONKEY FASTS TO DEATH

Sequel To Loss Of Cub

AHMEDABAD, July 17 (API): A monkey which "fasted" unto death because she lost her cub was the centre of attraction in the city for nearly 7 days—the period intervening between the monkey's "fast" and her death.

While jumping from one roof to another, the monkey lost her cub which was picked up by a passerby and taken away. The monkey wandered about in search of her cub and would not take any food. The story of monkey "fasting unto death" soon became the talk of the town and was given wide publicity by local papers.

Thousands of people collected daily to see the monkey fasting. Some "charitable" persons even offered prizes for the restoration of the cub to the bereaved mother.

As there was no trace of the cub, the monkey died this morning after full seven days' fast.

PAVY WINS 'BLUE 'RIBAND' OF RIFLE SHOOTING

BISLEY CAMP (Surrey), July 17 (Reuter): Reservist P. A. Pavy of Australia today won the King's prize of £250 and the National Rifle Association gold medal and badge, with a score of 283. This is the blue riband of British rifle shooting and the strength of the Empire challenge was shown by the presence of eight Canadians and five Australians in the King's 100, the final stage of the event today. L.-Col. J. A. Steele of Canada was second with 281 and Dr. C. H. Vernon of England third with 280.

The King's 100 were selected after two eliminating stages on previous days and today they fired at 900 and 1,000 yards.

Dr. Vernon won the event 21 years ago. At the end of 900 yards shooting, Pavey and M. L. Johnson of the Royal Navy shared the lead one point ahead of Steele, while Warrant Officer R. Bennett, last year's winner, was sharing fourth place another two points behind.

First Food Shipment For Japan

TOKIO, July 17, (Reuter): A cargo of 8,000 tons of Egyptian rice—first food shipment composed entirely of foreign rice to be received by Japan since the end of the war—has arrived at Yokohama in an American freighter from Cairo.

The cargo comprises the first shipment of 40,000 tons, which Japan has contracted to import this year. The initial shipment will be allotted for domestic consumption in the Tokyo and Yokohama area.

"WHOLE DISTRICTS READY TO DEFY NIZAM'S RULE"

Aruna Deprecates Provincial Governments' Attitude

NEW DELHI, July 17 (API)—Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali, Socialist leader who returned to Delhi after attending the joint meeting of the Hyderabad Struggle Committee of the Socialist Party and the Hyderabad State Socialist Party's Executive Committee held at Chanda said: "The unfriendly and hostile attitude of the Provincial Governments to the Socialist Party's programme of giving organised aid to freedom fighters in Hyderabad has prevented the latter from declaring free large sectors of State territory. Otherwise, very possibly by the end of this month important districts would have 'acceded' to India and resisted with success whatever attempts the Nizam's forces might have made to recapture them.

To underrate the vague but popular risings in Hyderabad in support of the Government of India's policy is quite inexplicable. The people of Hyderabad expect India's assistance from Governmental and non-Governmental sources.

"We of the Socialist Party have never seen eye to eye with those who believe that the States People's fight for democratic rule is their exclusive affair. Had the border Provincial Governments of Bombay, Madras and now C.P. not checkmated our efforts to organise and strengthen the Hyderabad people's plans to overthrow Nizam's rule, they could have achieved spectacular results.

"The fear of radicalism and the dictates of power interests are obviously responsible for the Government's policy of intervening so that the Socialist Party's plans may be strong and made ineffective."

Razakars Loot Refugee Train

MADRAS, July 17 (API): Details of an attack made by Razakars on passengers travelling from Hyderabad to Bezwada in a passenger train on July 11 are given in a Press Note issued by the Madras Government today.

The Press Note said there were 380 refugees in the train besides other passengers.

It added: "At Yerrupalem Railway Station in the Hyderabad State territory the Passenger Train in which 380 refugees among others were travelling was stopped by Razakars by pulling the chain when the train was about to move. The driver, a Hindu, and the guard, a Muslim, who got down from the train to know what the matter was, were not allowed to get into the train. The Razakars pulled out the men passengers and relieved them of their cash, boxes, gold, wrist watches and fountainpens, in this way about hundred passengers were detained at the station. Some of the passengers are reported to have been beaten.

"The train was allowed to start after the Razakars had completely looted the passengers. It is reported that in the train there were many families of State officials returning to their native places in the Indian Union for Ramzan holidays with their valuable belongings.

Provincial Premiers Meet Sardar Patel

NEW DELHI, July 17 (API): A conference of Provincial Premiers was held here this afternoon under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Home Affairs. The conference considered matters relating to internal security and the services.

All Provincial Premiers except those of Assam and Bihar attended the conference. Bihar was represented by its Revenue Minister, Shri K. B. Sahai. Others present included the Hon'ble Sardar Swaran Singh, Home Minister, East Punjab, Mr. H. M. Patel, Defence Secretary, Mr. H. V. R. Iyengar, Home Secretary, and Mr. V. Shankar, representing States Ministry.

The Premiers and Ministers are again meeting the Hon'ble Sardar Patel tomorrow afternoon.

DISCUSSION ON ADMINISTRATIVE SET-UP IN STATES

NEW DELHI, July 17 (API): Rajpramukhs from six unions of states and Provincial Premiers met Sardar Patel at a conference this morning to discuss the allocation of seats for the various unions and merged states in the Constituent Assembly. It is understood that the conference had arrived at a satisfactory decision on this point. Later the Rajpramukhs by themselves met the Deputy Prime Minister and discussed with him matters pertaining to the administrative set-up in the states.

Four Arrested In Lucknow On Espionage Charge

LUCKNOW, July 17 (API)—Four Muslims, Dr. G. A. Khan, Fazalul Rehman, a suspended octroi superintendent of the Lucknow Municipality, Mohd. Yokub, advocate and a tea stall keeper were arrested today under the Public Safety Order by the local police. The arrested persons, it is alleged, were engaged in espionage and held secret meetings in mosques, and other places in order to collect funds for Hyderabad.

Arms Smuggling From Bhopal To Hyderabad?

BHOPAL, July 17 (UPI): Various activities are reported from different parts of the State which clearly indicate that the local Muslims have been actively helping in all possible ways the "Azad Hyderabad" elements of the Hyderabad State. Cases of arms and petroleum smuggling from this State to Hyderabad have been reported and they remain uncontradicted by the State authorities so far. A few transmitters also are reported to be working here and receiving instruction from Hyderabad.

Confirmation of such activities is received from the recent arrest of two Pathans with a box containing rifles ready for despatch to Hyderabad.

PERSONS SUSPECTED AS SPIES ARRESTED

(Pfrom Our Correspondent

AKOLA, July 16 (By Mail): Two persons alleged to be the spies of Nizam have been traced and arrested on suspicion today by the joint effort of Sri N. P. Tiwari, Station officer and Sri H. T. Waikar of Police Department and have been taken into custody.

FIVE DIE DUE TO FOOD POISON

DEHRADUN, July 17 (API): Five persons died and ten are seriously ill in a village near here as a result of an unusual case of food poisoning.

It was reported that the meat they had consumed was got out of a goat that had earlier been stung by a serpent.

Parliament Stands By

LABOUR'S SEARCH FOR NEW SLOGAN

LONDON, July 17, (Reuter): The British Government will hold Parliament at the stand ready while tension over the Berlin situation continues.

It is almost certain that Parliament will merely adjourn for summer recess on July 30 instead of being ended for the session.

By this device the Government can resummon Parliament within a day, by radio announcement and press notice, should urgent need arise. A new session, with an official opening by the King, might involve three days' delay.

Labour begins its fourth year of Government in Britain on July 26 and party organisations throughout the country are being keyed up for a great electioneering spurt in the 20 months or so before Parliament is dissolved.

Leaders of the party realise that they cannot go to the country and ask for a fresh mandate merely on their past record. They are acutely conscious of the fact that many of the Labour slogans that served so well in opposition are now out of date.

Nearly all the legislative plans announced in the party's manifesto have been carried out.

SEARCH FOR NEW SLOGAN

There is an anxious search for new slogans and for a developing policy for which the 1945-50 legislative programme can provide foundation. A "second five-year plan" should be the outcome.

The kernel of this plan, it is believed, will be a determined attempt to provide new incentive and enthusiasm among the industrial population by a picture of "humanised" conditions under State-owned industry. This will be related to the background of social security provided by the Government's great new health, unemployment and pensions scheme, which came into full operation this month.

The legitimate place of private enterprise and the profit motive in a largely state-owned industry will undoubtedly be indicated, and a flat out effort made to counter conservative plans to attract the middle class— and unpredictable—voter.

I DEAD: TWO INJURED

Train Derailment Over O. T. Railway

IZATNAGAR, July 17 (API)—Three persons were injured, one of whom subsequently died, as a result of a train derailment on July 14 between Sarkara and Kasmipur Railway stations on O.T. Railways, according to a communication received from the District Traffic Superintendent, Izatnagar.

An enquiry is being held into the accident.

SARDAR'S STATEMENT WELCOMED

MADRAS, July 16 (U.P.I.) : Mr. Digambar Rao Bindu, Chairman of the Committee of Action, Hyderabad State Congress, has sent a telegram to Sadar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister in charge of States, Government of India, stating that the views expressed by him about Hyderabad in his speech at Patiala instills further confidence and courage in the State Congress and the people of Hyderabad in carrying on their struggle against the autocratic rule of the Nizam, and adding that his pronouncement withdrawing the liberal terms to the Nizam was welcome.

INFANT PRODIGY

PATNA: A four-year-old infant prodigy named Aftab Rasool, son of Ghulam Rasool, a peon of the Bihar Legislative Assembly, is credited with the ability of recounting accurate details of all the important events in India's history, the names of all world personalities as well as the salient aspects of present political developments in the country.

The extraordinary ability of the child has, it is reported, earned for him the admiration of the Bihar Premier, Mr. Sri Krishna Sinha, who has given him a reward of Rs. 100. Another gentleman has granted him an allowance of Rs. 5 per month.

Economic Blockade Of Berlin Complete

TEN MILES OF EAST-WEST RAILWAY TRACK FROM GERMAN CAPITAL REMOVED

BERLIN, July 18 (Reuter).

The American-controlled Berlin radio reported last night that railway workers had removed at various places nearly ten miles of the Berlin-Helmstedt railway track, the vital east-west line whose closure by the Russians "for technical reasons" on June 23 completed the economic blockade of Berlin.

Leading Soviet Zone railway administration officials said last week that repairs to the line were being carried out "as quickly as possible", but no date was set for their completion.

A Pan-American Airways liner, bound from London to Vienna, was stopped at Munich and taken over to assist in the air lift of food to Berlin it was learned in London last night.

This is the first time a civil aircraft has taken part in the operation.

The Berlin city authorities hope to conclude an agreement with the Soviet military authorities next week by which the blocked Western Sectors of the city will get electricity from the British occupation zone, Dena, the German news agency, reported last night.

The city administration has been negotiating for permission to get supplies from an electricity plant near Helmstedt, in the British Zone.

The French authorities in Berlin announced they would not recognise the Soviet order by which interzonal passes for travel between the capital and the western occupation zones could only be issued by the Russians, Frankfurt radio reported.

The French said they would continue to issue their own passes and prove three planes daily for travellers from their sector of Berlin to the western zones.

Russian planes were last night flying on night exercises in the air corridors between Berlin and the western zones, the Soviet authorities told the Four-Power Air Safety Centre in Berlin.

"AIR BRIDGE" TO BERLIN

Today, an endless aerial freight—train, operating in a great loop whose circumference is about 500 miles, is carrying more than 2 million pounds of food and fuel a day into the beleaguered German capital.

Every four minutes, day and night, in rain or sunshine, a British plane takes off from Wunstorf. Every four minutes, too, a plane takes off on the return flight from Berlin's British-controlled Gatow airport.

Similar round-the-clock schedules are maintained between the American controlled Templehow airfield and Frankfurt by American planes.

Everything about the British operation of the "Air Bridge" is keyed to that relentless time-table which must be maintained if Berlin is to be fed.

The R. A. F. is at present operating in three groups on a block system. If it were not for this block system, aerial collisions under the instrument-flying conditions, which have prevailed almost continuously since the operation began, would be almost unavoidable.

Buchenwald

SOVIET VERSION

BERLIN, July 17 (Reuter). Buchenwald, dreaded Nazi concentration camp, now holds 10,000 prisoners of the M.V.D., Russian Security Police, according to the official British newspaper "Die Welt".

Among them are 170 women.

Most prisoners are intellectuals, said the paper. Many were stated to have been arrested for criticising Soviet policy others for alleged espionage for Western Powers and none had been tried.

Camp treatment was reported as not particularly brutal, though living conditions and food were poor, and attempted escapes were punished by being tied to a cross for several hours.

If any prisoner escaped, the guards seized any civilian to make up the numbers.

Women were said to be branded on shoulder with hammer and sickle and forced to kiss a portrait of Stalin's when caught stealing food.

The American-sponsored paper "Neue Zeitung" said only former Nazis had been freed from camps under recent Soviet amnesty. About half of 12,000 inmates of Brandenburg camp had died since 1945 through disease and bad food, it added.

THREAT TO MAHA-GUJERAT

Zamindars' Attempt To Regain Autocratic Power

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, July 16.

The problem of Girasdars and Zamindars is becoming acute in Maha-Gujarat. There are developments indicating that they want to re-establish the conditions that had existed before the new political set up in the past few months. They want thus to maintain their autocracy. For this they have adopted paths of force and intimidation.

Incidents of beating, cutting up of standing crops putting fire to grass, collection of illegal taxes and such others have become common. Great discontent exists amongst farmers and signs of class war are already apparent. Those farmers who instead of running away from villages and try to get justice from Government are living there at the risk of their lives.

The Kathiawar Political Conference and leading Congress workers of Gujarat have suggested that complaints against Jamindars and Girasdars should not be taken under present law but should be considered as a political matter and the Government should make prompt inquiry regarding such complaints. If these complaints are found true these Jamindars should be attached and Jamindars should be forced to leave their villages until cases against them are decided. If they are found guilty their Jamindaris should be permanantly confiscated. There is no other remedy for giving protection to farmers.

It is learnt from political circles that Government is considering of taking drastic steps to solve this problem which is becoming more acute daily.

Nizam Seeks Judgment Of Arbitrators

KARACHI, July 17 (API) : Hyderabad State proposes to seek the "impartial judgment of arbitrators" to decide its future relationship to India, declares the foreward to the compendia of correspondence that is stated to have passed between the Nizam and his Government on the one hand and Earl Mountbatten, former Governor-General and the Government of India on the other.

This compendia which is prepared in two volumes by the Nizam's Government was today released to the press here by the Nizam's Agent-General in Pakistan, Mr. Mushtaq Ahmad Khan.

The foreword to the compendia opens with the words: "Hyderabad maintains that there is no excuse for India's non-performance of obligations under the Agreement. If Hyderabad has misinterpreted its own obligations it is ready to put matters right. Arbitration in case of dispute is provided for in the Standstill Agreement and consistent with its policy of promoting friendly relations with India, Hyderabad proposes that the impartial judgment of arbitrators should now be sought".

Southern Democrats' Revolt Against Truman

OPPOSITION TO CIVIL RIGHTS FOR NEGROES PROGRAMME

BIRMINGHAM (Alabama), July 17 (Reuter): Southern Democrats, in full-scale revolt against their party's approval of a civil rights for Negroes programme, tonight selected Governor J. Strom Thurmond, of South Carolina to oppose Mr. Truman in the November Presidential elections.

The delegates also chose Governor Fielding Wright, of Mississippi, as Vice-Presidential candidate. Both were named by acclamation after a wild demonstration at a meeting in the "deep south" here to prepare a breakaway from the regular party policy for the first time in 70 years.

Their objective is to defeat President Truman, author of the programme against racial discrimination which set off the southern revolt earlier this year.

Temporary chairman of the meeting, Mr. Frank J. Dixon, former Governor of Alabama described the Civil Rights Programme, which would include Federal anti-lynching, anti-poll tax and anti-segregation laws, as an unconstitutional effort to "reduce us to the status of a mongrel, inferior race; to crush with imprisonment our leadership, and thereby kill our hopes, our aspirations, our future and the future of our children.

In his Keynote address, Mr. Dixon said that the Civil Rights Programme was designed solely to catch the Negro vote of the north.

The Resolutions Committee of the meeting passed a statement of principles including the following provisions: "We stand for segregation of the races and the racial integrity of each race; the constitutional right to choose one's associates; to accept private employment without Government interference.

We oppose and condemn a Civil Rights Programme calling for the elimination of segregation, social equality by Federal Law.

"We call upon all Democrats and upon all other loyal Americans to unite with us in ignominously defeating Harry S. Truman and Thomas E. Dewey".

MUTT AND JEFF—Come To Think Of It, Did You Ever Hear One Sing? By BUD FISHER

JEFF, LISTEN TO MY SINGING PARROT I JUST BOUGHT!
♫ THREE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING ♫
♫ SWEET - ADE-A-LINE ♫
♫ IT'S TULIP ♫ TIME IN HOLLAND ♫
AIN'T THAT GREAT, JEFF?
♫ JADA JADA ♫
CAN'T THE OLD BIRD MAKE UP HIS OWN SONGS OR SOMETHIN', MUTT?
OWN SONGS? YOU BOOB, DID YOU EVER HEAR A PARROT THAT COULD SING SONGS?
-BUT HE SINGS ALL THE OLD STUFF!
♫ OPEN THE DOOR RICHARD AND LET ME OUT

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